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FREQUENCY RANGE(S):	2300-2302 MHz
SUBJECT:	Embargo on all new frequency assignments to support expansion of the 2.3 GHz spectrum licence.
DATE OF EFFECT:	06 September 2012
COVERAGE:	Australia-wide
TIME FRAME:	Until further notice

INSTRUCTIONS

No new frequency assignments are to be made in the band 2300-2302 MHz.

Any applications for case-by-case exemptions are to be referred to the Manager, Spectrum Engineering and Space Section for consideration.

REASONS

The purpose of the embargo is to support the designation of the band 2300-2302 MHz for spectrum licensing Australia-wide. It is intended that this designation will extend the existing 2.3 GHz (2302-2400 MHz) spectrum licence band to cover the 2300-2400 MHz band Australia-wide.

COMMENTS

On 14 January 2000 the band 2302–2400 MHz was designated for spectrum licensing throughout Australia in the *Radiocommunications (Spectrum Designation) Notice No. 1 of 2000*.

The ACMA has previously indicated it would review options to expand the 2.3 GHz spectrum licence band from 98 MHz to 100 MHz Australia-wide, most recently in the *Five-year spectrum outlook 2012-2016*¹.

EMBARGO AUTHORISATION

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¹ FYSO 2012-2026 is available at: <u>http://www.acma.gov.au/WEB/STANDARD/pc=PC_410352</u>