

Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA)  
Red Building, Benjamin Offices, Chan Street  
BELCONNEN ACT 2617



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**Re: ACMA Consultation Paper—*Proposed changes to amateur access in the 50-52 MHz and 3.4-3.6 GHz frequency bands***

Dear Sir/Madam

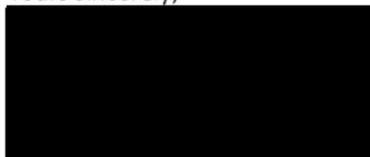
AMTA appreciates the opportunity to comment on the proposed changes to amateur access in the 50-52 MHz and 3.4-3.6 GHz frequency bands.

We support the ACMA's proposed changes to the *Radiocommunications Licence Conditions (Amateur Licence Determination 2015* ("the Amateur LCD") and the *Radiocommunications (Overseas Amateurs Visiting Australia) Class Licence 2015* ("the OAVA CL") with respect to the 3.4-3.6 GHz frequency band in which AMTA's members hold spectrum licences.

Specifically, in relation to this band, that the ACMA's proposed changes can be summarised as an expansion of the existing excluded bands and areas within the 3.4-3.6 GHz frequency range to cover additional spectrum space that is currently re-allocated for spectrum licensing and intended to be auctioned as part of the 3.4/3.7 GHz band auction later this year. We note that this results in a significant simplification of the excluded bands and areas, to a single band (3.4-3.6 GHz) and a single, large contiguous area covering metropolitan and regional areas.

These changes will help to ensure maintain the certainty and exclusivity afforded to spectrum licensed spectrum space to facilitate the deployment of wide-area networks and the provision of highly-reliable mobile broadband services to Australians.

Yours sincerely,



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