

Communications Alliance

Working Committee representation and consultation processes relating to the Revision of the Deployment of Mobile Phone Network Industry Code

The review

Communications Alliance periodically initiates reviews of its publications (which include Codes, Standards and Guidelines) under its *Document Maintenance Policy and Process* framework. To initiate the review of the *Deployment of Mobile Phone Network Industry Code* (ACIF C564:2004), Communication Alliance held a roundtable on 7 July 2010 which was attended by community representatives, mobile telecommunications carriers and other industry representatives, a local council representative, the ACMA and the DBCDE to help identify any issues with the Code and assist in scoping the revision project.

Those who participated on the roundtable included:

- David McKean, Crown Castle
- George Tzakis, Telstra
- Howard Game, Optus
- Lisa Kelly, Optus
- Lyn McLean, EMR Australia
- Matt Evans, Mobile Carriers Forum (MCF)
- Michelle Richardson, Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA)
- Mike Wood, Telstra
- Rodney J. Croft, Australian Centre for Radio Frequency Bioeffects Research
- Roslyn Young, Vodafone Hutchison Australia (VHA)
- Sabiene Heindl, Summer Hill Action Group
- Sharon Ronald, Department of Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy (DBCDE)
- Susan Terravecchia, (for Sandra Boland), P&C President, Rainworth State School
- William Dask, Ashfield Council

The Working Committee

The WC29 Mobile Phone Network Infrastructure Revision Working Committee that carried out the revision of the Code commenced its work on 19 November 2010 and comprised:

- George Tzakis, NBN Co (Committee Chair)
- Mike Johns (Communications Alliance - Project Manager and editor)
- Ian Gray, Rainworth P&C - No Towers Near Schools Action Group
- Lyn McLean, Sutherland Shire Environment Centre
- Matt Evans, Mobile Carriers Forum (MCF)
- Mike Wood, Telstra

- Trudy Schmidt, Vodafone Hutchison Australia
- Howard Game, MCF (Optus)
- Michelle Richardson, ACMA

Public consultation

As a normal part of the revision process, the public was invited during August 2011 to comment on the draft Code. Individuals and organisations who requested to be a part of the public consultation were also added. Invitations were sent out to the following:

- members of Communications Alliance
- members of the Communications Alliance Operations Reference Panel
- members of the Communications Alliance WC29 Mobile Phone Network Infrastructure Review Working Committee
- individuals who submitted comments in the review
- participants on the review roundtable

General

- Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA)
- Australian Communications Consumer Action Network (ACCAN)
- Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC)
- Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency (ARPANSA) (with respect to the Radiation Protection Standard)
- Australian Subscription Television and Radio Association (ASTRA)
- Carriers (Telstra, VHA, Optus, NBN Co)
- Department of Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy (DBCDE)
- Department of Defence (re exemption of r/c infrastructure)
- Emergency Service Organisations (ESOs) via the ACMA Emergency Call Service Advisory Committee – re exemption of r/c infrastructure
- EMR Australia
- Free TV
- Mobile Carriers Forum (MCF)
- No towers near schools (Bardon, Brisbane)
- Privacy Commissioner
- Property Council of Australia (PCA)
- Standards Australia (with respect to AS 3516.2 siting of r/c facilities)
- Telecommunications Industry Ombudsman (TIO)
- Vividwireless

State and territory government planning departments

- Victorian Department of Planning and Community Development (with respect to Victorian Code).
- NSW Government - Planning (with respect to Draft NSW Telecommunications facilities code including broadband June 2009)
- Queensland Government – Queensland Telecommunications Strategic Framework
- ACT Planning and Land Authority
- Northern Territory Department of Lands and Planning
- South Australia Department of Planning and Local Government

- Tasmania Department of Primary Industries, Parks, Water and Environment
- Western Australia Department of Planning Western Australian Planning Commission

Local Government Associations

- Australian Local Government Association (ALGA)
- Local Government Association of NSW and Shires Association of NSW
- Local Government Association of South Australia
- Municipal Association of Victoria
- Local Government Association of Tasmania
- Local Government Association of the Northern Territory
- Local Government Association of Queensland
- The Western Australian Local Government Association

Councils

- Leichhardt Council

Federal Members/Senators

- Mr Jamie Briggs, MP (Mayo SA)
- Mr Andrew Wilkie, MP (Denison, TAS)
- Senator Scott Ludlum (Greens, WA)

Comments on the Code received during the public consultation process were received from the following:

Community

- Anne Tredenick, Rainworth community member
- Anthea Hopkins, Sandy Bay TAS resident
- EMR Stop
- Fiona Taylor, Tinderbox TAS resident
- John
- John Ahern
- Kate Unsworth, Bondi Beach resident
- Lyn McLean, EMR Australia
- Mim Weber and Wendy Livingstone, Interested Clunes residents
- Nigel Ippoliti, Griffith resident
- Peter van der Sanden, Dickson, ACT
- Sarah Barton-Hills, Bondi Beach resident
- Simon Chipperfield, Balmain resident

Council/Government

- Australian Local Government Association (ALGA)
- City of Casey
- Griffith City Council
- Ipswich City Council
- NSW Department of Planning and Infrastructure
- Waverley Council

Industry

- Mobile Carriers Forum (MCF)
- Optus
- Telstra
- Vodafone Hutchison Australia