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Re: Inquiry into Radio Services in Non-Metropolitan Australia.

I wish to communicate the Australian Racing Board's support for the submission made by Radio Sport 927 (3UZ Pty. Ltd.) to the current inquiry into the adequacy of radio services in non-metropolitan Australia.

As the Committee's earlier inquiry into the impact of the decision by ABC radio to discontinue its radio racing service identified, the ABC racing radio service had a special place in the lives of racing enthusiasts, and its discontinuation was a real blow to people in many regional and rural areas.

The networking of racing radio services is an extremely important means of providing many regional and rural Australians with radio broadcasts of their sport of choice as well as assisting in sustaining racing's social and economic contribution to nonmetropolitan Australia.

The Australian Racing Board fully supports the contents of the submission made by Radio Sport 927.

Yours sincerely,

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