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Department of Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy

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Ms Julia Morris Committee Secretary Standing Committee on Infrastructure and Communications PO Box 6021 Parliament House CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Ms Morris

Telecommunications Amendment (Enhancing Community Consultation) Bill 2011 Inquiry

Thank you for your letter dated 17 October 2011 to the Minister for Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy inviting a submission to the Inquiry into the Telecommunications Amendment (Enhancing Community Consultation) Bill 2011 by the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Infrastructure and Communications. The Minister has asked the department to review your letter and respond on his behalf.

Information about carrier powers and immunities relevant to the inquiry is available on the department's website at <u>http://www.dbcde.gov.au/policy_and_legislation/</u> <u>carrier_powers_to_install_telecommunications_infrastructure</u> and the website of the Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA) at <u>http://www.acma.gov.au/</u> <u>WEB/STANDARD/pc=PC_300130</u>.

Information about the regulation of radiocommunications facilities and exposure to electromagnetic emissions from radiocommunications devices is available from the ACMA at <u>http://www.acma.gov.au/WEB/STANDARD/pc=PC_310377</u> and the Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency at <u>http://www.arpansa.gov.au/mobilephones/index.cfm</u>.

The department is available to provide such other assistance as the Committee might consider helpful.

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Yours sincerely

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