

Submission No. 57

I have an idea for "Options for further encouraging consumer interest in the uptake of digital television."

Currently community TV such as BRIS31 is NOT broadcast in a digital format. These community TV channels typically have low powered transmitters and subsequently poorer reception is experienced compared with commercial stations and ABC and SBS. These community channels however enjoy a cult following of viewers.

I believe it would be an excellent outcome for the Australian community if community channels such as BRIS31 are broadcast in the digital spectrum. This would be a cheap way of increasing the uptake of digital TV. Even if the community channels only produced low definition tv in the digital spectrum it would still be great. Could the ABC host a channel or two?

Regards.

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