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Statutory Rules 1997 No. 1

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Radiocommunications Taxes Collection Regulations² (Amendment)

I, THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL of the Commonwealth of Australia,
acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, make the
following Regulations under the *Radiocommunications Taxes
Collection Act 1983*.

Dated 1997.

25 June/

WILLIAM DEANE/
Governor-General

By His Excellency's Command,

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RICHARD ALSTON/
Minister for Communications and the Arts

1. Amendment

1.1 The Radiocommunications Taxes Collection Regulations are
amended as set out in these Regulations.

[Note: These Regulations commence on gazettal: see *Acts Interpretation Act
1901*, s. 48.]

2. New regulation 4B**2.1 After regulation 4A, insert:****Withdrawal of AMPS spectrum (Melbourne and Sydney)**

“4B. A refund of \$828,774 is payable to Telstra Corporation Limited (‘Telstra’) for the withdrawal, on and from 1 January 1997, of 3 megahertz (MHz) in the 880 MHz to 890 MHz band in the Sydney and Melbourne regions from the Public Mobile Telecommunications Service Class A licence held by Telstra until 19 May 1997.

[NOTE: The amount of \$828,774 is derived from the formula:

$$\$362,713 \times 3 \times 2 \times (139 + 365) = \$828,774.36 \text{ (rounded to \$828,774)}$$

where:

- \$362,713 is the annual amount of tax per MHz per city paid by Telstra for the licence;
- 3 is the number of MHz withdrawn;
- 2 is the number of cities where the spectrum was in use;
- 139 is the number of days’ use of the spectrum that Telstra had paid for, and lost because of the withdrawal.]”.

NOTES

1. Notified in the *Commonwealth of Australia Gazette* on 1997. 30 June/
2. Statutory Rules 1985 No. 200 as amended by 1989 No. 355; 1991 No. 361; 1992 No. 388; 1993 No. 178; 1995 Nos. 36, 63 and 130.