**Statement of Compatibility with Human Rights**

*Prepared in accordance with Part 3 of the Human Rights (Parliamentary Scrutiny) Act 2011*

**Radiocommunications (Communication with Space Object) Class Licence Variation 2012 (No.1)**

This legislative instrument is compatible with the human rights and freedoms recognised or declared in the international instruments listed in section 3 of the *Human Rights (Parliamentary Scrutiny) Act 2011*.

**Overview of the legislative instrument**

The *Radiocommunications (Communication with Space Object) Class Licence 1998* (the Space Object Class Licence) authorises the operation of Earth stations that communicate with apparatus-licensed space stations, where such operation is on authorised frequencies.

 This legislative instrument is made under section 134 of the Act. The purpose of this legislative instrument is to vary the Space Object Class Licence by including an additional 500 MHz of spectrum in the frequency band 17.7-18.2 GHz for the reception of radio emissions by an Earth station covered by the class licence, on a no- protection basis.

**Human rights implications**

This legislative instrument does not engage any of the applicable rights or freedoms.

**Conclusion**

This legislative instrument is compatible with human rights as it does not raise any human rights issues.

The rule-maker of this legislative instrument is the Australian Communications and Media Authority.