INVESTIGATIONS

BREACHES BY BROADCASTERS

The full reports on these investigations into potential breaches by licensees are on the ACMA website. www.acma.gov.au. Go to ACMA > Publications > Broadcasting > The reports are arranged in order of

2GLF provides undertaking on sponsorship announcements

Community radio station 2GLF Liverpool has provided ACMA with a written undertaking to monitor its program Radio Lehren for four weeks during September and October 2006, to ensure that sponsorship announcements do not run in total for more than five minutes in any hour of the program.

2GLF's action follows an ACMA finding that Liverpool-Green Valley Community Radio Cooperative Ltd, the licensee of 2GLF, breached the Broadcasting

Services Act 1992 by broadcasting more than the permissible five minutes of sponsorship announcements per hour during Radio Lehren on 14 and 21 January 2006. This was the second time since 23 December 2005 that the licensee had breached clause 9(3)(b) of Schedule 2 to the Act by broadcasting more than five minutes of sponsorship announcements per hour during the Radio Lehren program.

2GLF has undertaken to:

· monitor the Radio Lehren

program for four weeks

- · provide a report to ACMA with details of sponsorship announcements broadcast during that period and
- retain recordings of the broadcasts and make such recordings available to ACMA if so required.

The investigation report is on the ACMA website at www.acma.gov.au (go to ACMA > Publications > Broadcasting > Investigations > Radio operations).

ATW 31 Perth broadcast advertisements and excessive sponsorship announcements

ACMA found that Channel 31 Community Education Television Ltd, the licensee of community television station ATW 31 Perth, breached its licence conditions by broadcasting advertisements and by exceeding the time limit for sponsorship announcements.

On 23 December 2005,

ACMA received a complaint that during the screening of The British Football Show, ATW 31 had broadcast advertisements and had broadcast sponsorship announcements in excess of the permissible seven minutes per

ACMA found that the licensee of ATW 31 had breached clause

9(3)(a) of Schedule 2 to the Broadcasting Services Act 1992 by broadcasting sponsorship announcements that ran in total for more than seven minutes per hour and that the licensee had breached clause 9(1)(b) of the Schedule by broadcasting advertisements.

These are the first breach

findings against ATW 31 and this is the first investigation into a complaint against this licensee. In light of this, ACMA will not be taking any further action on this breach but will continue to monitor the licensee's performance against the licence conditions.