

AMTA - ARPANSA Liaison Forum Terms of Reference



Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency

Background

The Australian Mobile Telecommunications Association (AMTA) is the peak industry body representing Australia's mobile telecommunications industry. Its mission is to promote an environmentally, socially and economically responsible, successful and sustainable mobile telecommunications industry in Australia, with members including the mobile Carriage Service Providers (CSPs), handset manufacturers, network equipment suppliers, retail outlets and other suppliers to the industry. For reference see www.amta.org.au

The Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency (ARPANSAassesses the relevant scientific research and provides expert advice which forms the basis for the protection of the Australian public from the harmful effects of radiation, including the radiofrequency (RF) electromagnetic radiation (EMR) emitted by telecommunications sources. For reference see www.arpansa.gov.au

Whilst AMTA is not under ARPANSA's jurisdiction, both parties recognise the importance of an open, frank and transparent exchange of information and views on radiation safety and radiation protection issues, with due regard to the different roles the organisations play. On this basis, both organisations have agreed to form the AMTA – ARPANSA Liaison Forum (the Forum).

Forum membership and meetings

The meetings will be co-chaired by the CEOs of AMTA and ARPANSA. Senior managers as well as experts from both AMTA and ARPANSA will participate, as nominated by the CEOs before each Forum meeting.

Forum meetings will normally be small. Larger meetings/workshops on specified topics may be arranged separately.

The frequency of Forum meetings will normally be one per year, at a location decided before each meeting.

Minutes

Short minutes, focussing on actions, will be produced after each Forum meeting and published online.

Signed on (date): 27

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