flow fm has the remote central commercial radio license (3032995) for parts of regional and remote new south wales and has licensing for part of new south wales in the same region where the young commercial radio license operates and has an interest in the adjacent regions.

we have viewed the young planning and note that the four towns receiving translators are all contained at the edge of the young license and in the case of temora and cooma the license is overlapped to the wagga license area and cooma to the orange license area.

while the dait is a member of commercial radio australia, we have not supported their position in the past to oppose licensees who apply to serve towns in their license despite the location of these towns being on the border of another licensees license area plan (lap). the industry recently opposed a number of dait's views which were significantly further away from boundaries and without urban centre overlap and we would expect dbi (on the same grounds of previous opposition to the type of planning) to oppose this application from the young license.

dbi supports young's right to serve towns in its license area despite the transmitter sites being very close to license boundaries and notes some overlap into adjacent licensees at all four sites but not to any urban centre. we note adma's previous position that some overlap into adjacent areas is contingent in being able to adequately serve their own licensed towns. we note that the owners of the young license have previously opposed other licensees who have planned similarly near boundaries.

we also make the point that while young have sought coverage at the extremities of their license they have not sought to extend into any unlicensed areas including the southern tablelands, upper lutoner, mt burring range, blay and north temora areas. we look forward to adma making the current young request.

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