



Broadcasting Act 1996

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PART III

AMENDMENTS OF THE BROADCASTING ACT 1990

Regional Channel 3 services

75 Appointment of news provider by holders of regional Channel 3 licences

(1) After section 31 of the 1990 Act there is inserted—

“31A Appointment of news provider by holders of regional Channel 3 licences

A regional Channel 3 licence shall include conditions requiring the holder of the licence to do all that he can to ensure—

- (a) that arrangements are made between all holders of regional Channel 3 licences (“the relevant licence holders”) for the appointment by them, from among the bodies corporate nominated by the Commission under section 32, and on such terms as the relevant licence holders may agree, of a single body corporate to be the appointed news provider for the purposes of section 31(2), and
- (b) that, so long as he provides his licensed service, an appointment for the purposes of section 31(2) is in force.”

(2) The Independent Television Commission may not include in pursuance of section 31A of the 1990 Act any condition in a regional Channel 3 licence (within the meaning of Part I of the 1990 Act) which would require an appointment for the purposes of section 31(2) of that Act (as amended by this Act) to take effect before 1st January 1998.