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The major items in the Australian Broadcasting Tribunal's agenda for this year are:

- 1. Enquiries into the grant of full commercial television licences to serve Australia's remote areas, providing television by satellite. The first hearing, into the Western Australian licence commenced on 20 February, 1985. A general hearing on all licences is scheduled on 19 March, 1985 in Sydney.
- 2. An enquiry into the grant of a third commercial television licence in Perth, for which eight sitting weeks have already been allocated this year.
- 3. Renewal of the licences for the three television stations in each of Sydney and Melbourne, which will take place from April to June this year.
- 4. The renewal of commercial radio licences in Sydney and Mel-bourne.
- 5. The beginning of hearings for the grant of supplementary licences. To date only the Canberra supplementary licence application has been referred to the Tribunal.

 6. The renewal of all commercial radio and television licences for
- 7. The grant of new public radio licences.
- 8. Review of standards, with the priority projects being the review of television standards relating to the advertising of alcohol, Australian content on radio, public broadcasting sponsorship directions and the provision of licensees of financial information.

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