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Free TV commits to accessibility of free-to-air broadcasts

Free TV today released revised Advisory Notes to the *Commercial Television Industry*Code of Practice relating to the inclusion of Auslan interpreters particularly in the broadcast of matters of public importance on commercial free-to-air television.

FreeTV CEO Bridget Fair said, "Free TV is pleased to have worked co-operatively with Deaf Australia to update the Code to better reflect the needs and interests of the deaf community. We appreciate the constructive engagement with Deaf Australia on this issue.

"Free TV members understand the importance of accessibility of commercial free-to-air television to all Australians.

"These changes recognise that Auslan is a primary language for many deaf members of the community and will increase accessibility of the platform for those members."

The amended Advisory Notes can be accessed here:

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