

Broadcast Australia declares DVB-H trials a success

The July 2005 launch of the world's first high-power trial of digital video broadcast to handheld (DVB-H) technology marked an important milestone for digital television. Conducted over the past year by Broadcast Australia, Australia's leading independent broadcast transmission provider, using an Atlas Digital DTV660L liquid-cooled DVB-T transmitter from Harris Corporation, the DVB-H trial aimed to test the technical capability and commercial prospects for DVB-H applications in Australia and globally.

For this trial, Broadcast Australia worked with Harris, telecommunications provider Telstra, and wireless antenna and cable manufacturer Radio Frequency Systems (RFS). Comprising the delivery of 16 channels of live-streamed, diverse content to 400 trial users, the trial explored the technical aspects and usage patterns of multi-channel mobile media services.