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On this occasion of the first on-line edition of the *Telecommunications Journal of Australia* my message is short as I am sure your attention will be on the material in this issue!

As we head towards 2008, this a critical time both for the industry in Australia and for us in the Telecommunications Society. The TSA is going through a ‘make over’ with our move into the wider ICT industry through our alliance with the Australian Computer Society to become more relevant to our members and sponsors. Going on-line with a new Web presence and widening our scope of the *Telecommunications Journal* is a key part of this make over.

The new Government now has the challenge in 2008 of delivering on its promise to work with the industry, of which Telstra is key player, to realise a national broadband infrastructure, which all of us have been pleading for.

On behalf of the TSA and the Board we wish all our members and readers a safe and happy Christmas and New Year.

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