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ABC or PBC (Private Broadcasting Corporation)

"ABC management must be called to account for its plan to axe Tasmanian ABC TV production," said Glenys Stradijot, a spokesperson for Friends of the ABC (Vic).

"Friends of the ABC is wondering how long it will be before the ABC changes its name to the Private Broadcasting Corporation, with only its main office in Sydney and an outpost in Melbourne.

"The ABC is increasingly directing its resources to outsourced drama and documentary programs at the expense of in-house television production. And in doing so, it is also shutting down television production and coverage of local events in smaller states.

"ABC management is acting with flagrant disregard for the public broadcaster's responsibility to be a national broadcaster that reflects the interests of the community right across Australia," said Glenys Stradijot.

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