

## **Dear Submissions Team**

Re: Regional Telecommunications Review 2021

I write to you to state my views on the telecommunications in our area. We live and work from home in Conondale.

- We have a Telstra repeater here to boost mobile data transfer as it is the only way to receive mobile phone communications and data
- Our landline sounds like talking to someone underwater with a mouthful of marbles, it has been this way repeatedly for 3 years. Technicians repair within a week we are back to being Nemo again.
- ADSL data is exceptionally slow, it takes 6 weeks to upload the same data that takes
   18 hours in Maleny only 20 minutes drive from here
- Satellite NBN will not connect to on-line banking before the system times-out so we had discontinued our subscription
- I had a Telstra tech here a few months ago and he advised the new fixed wireless NBN is operational and we have signal here but NBN says our only option is satellite.
- Our business currently deals with the following
  - o India,
  - o England
  - Philippines
  - New Zealand

We constantly have communication difficulty and are told the old copper network cannot deal with the load currently put upon it by everyone working from home.

Help is needed.

Regards,

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Chief Executive Officer