

Mobile Coverage Programme Discussion Paper

Submission Cover Sheet

Submission Information

This cover sheet should be attached to submissions made to the Department of Communications in relation to the Mobile Coverage Programme Discussion Paper.

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Date: 24 June 2014

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Submission Instructions

Submissions are to be made by **5:00pm (AEST) Friday 28 February 2014**.

Where possible, submissions should be lodged electronically, preferably in Microsoft Word or other text-based formats via the email address mobilecoverage@communications.gov.au

Alternatively, submissions can be sent to the postal address below (to arrive by the due date):

The Manager
Mobile Coverage Programme
Department of Communications
GPO Box 2154
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Good Afternoon

The Shire of Pingelly would like to register as an area in much need of improved Mobile Phone Coverage.

During the event of a fire mobile coverage is the core and most times the only communication available in alerting Voluntary Fire Brigades they are required to attend a fire. The notification is sent via SMS requesting attendance to the fire as well as the fire location. The Shire has no FESA based Fire Brigade and all first deployment and action of a Fire is actioned by the Shire of Pingelly via SMS. The Shire also sends Harvest and Movement Band notices via SMS as well. This SMS process dose experience disruption with poor and no signal at all.

The Shire of Pingelly would like this request to be strongly considered and supported as at the moment the mobile coverage is not reliable. The Shire holds this request in high regard and upmost importance and also would be very supportive of providing land for the erection of a tower in our Town.

If you would like any further information please feel free to contact me as required and I look forward to any comments you may have.

Regards

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