

Department of Communications and the Arts

Dear Sir/Madam,

Please find below my company's input into the proposed changes to Telecommunications Legislation relating to Regional Broadband provided NBN and other providers.

- The multi tier charging regime (<2000, 2000-20000, 20000+ customers) is complicated , difficult to police and many result in the setting up of subsidiaries to avoid the charge,
- Entrenches fixed wireless and satellite as a remote area NBN solution.
- What about "superfast broadband" delivered over mobile?
- This is related to the USO review by the Productivity Commission which is still in progress.
- The Department of Communications and the Arts must take a long term view (15 years+) that optical fibre should be the fixed telecommunications solution for all but the most remote of customers, and ensure mechanisms are in place to provide at the least cost (including customer funding of the on-property component of the service).

Please feel free to call or email me if you have any queries.

Yours Sincerely,

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