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Senator Duniam
Chair, Senate Environment and Communications Legislation Committee
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Dear Chair,

Correction to Hansard - Environment and Communications Legislation Committee

Some information provided by nbn during the Environment and Communications Legislation Committee Senate Estimates hearing on 19 February 2019 needs to be amended.

During the hearing, Senator Martin asked:

Senator MARTIN: Surely. Can you tell me how many fixed wireless towers there are in Tasmania?

Mr Rue: I'm sure that we have some people listening to the broadcast. I'm sure we can get that for you.

Senator MARTIN: Out of those fixed wireless towers, are there any affected by congestion?

Mr Rue: There certainly are some. Again, let me get the details for you. So, how many fixed towers are in Tasmania and—

Senator MARTIN: Yes, and how many of them are affected by congestion?

Please find below amended excerpt:

Mr Rue: ~~There are 155 fixed wireless towers, but the important thing is the cells. There's more than one cell on a tower, for example, and it's the cells that get congested. In Tasmania, of those 770 cells, there are 33 congested cells.~~ In other words, they are operating below six megabits per second threshold during busy hours. We have a program to ensure that that congestion is resolved by September of this year.

Correction:

There are 141 fixed wireless towers, but the important thing is the cells. There's more than one cell on a tower, for example, and it's the cells that get congested. In Tasmania, of those 760 cells, there are 34 congested cells.

I trust this further information will be of assistance to the committee.

Yours sincerely

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