

## JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE NATIONAL BROADBAND NETWORK

Public hearing on Monday 4 June 2018 (Sydney)

Questions on Notice-NBN Co

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4	<b>Mr STEPHEN JONES:</b> I will talk about the Area Switch program. I'm keen on any additional information you could provide us about how many councils or other bodies have made applications under the Area Switch program. How many have proceeded? Has the NBN Co has done any analysis of which ones have proceeded and why, and which ones have not proceeded and why?	50–51, 54
	Mr Morrow: Mr Rue, do you have the latest data amount? Mr Rue: I'll see if I can find it.	
	Mr Morrow: The numbers are small. Mr Rue is looking to see if we have it. If we don't, we'll take it on notice. It's a question that is pulled on notice from time to time— Mr STEPHEN JONES: While Mr Rue is checking for that information,	
	Mr STEPHEN JONES: While Mr Rue's going through his notes,	
	Mr STEPHEN JONES: How are we going on the area switch, Mr Rue? Mr Rue: I've sent a message to the team.	
	Mr STEPHEN JONES: So that we don't chew up other committee members' time, we could come back to that.	
	Mr Rue: As soon as it comes I'll answer it. Mr STEPHEN JONES: Thank you, I'd appreciate that	
	<b>Mr STEPHEN JONES</b> : How are we going on the Area Switch? <b>Mr Rue:</b> I've been communicating. The latest information we have is a year old. They're chasing the data for you. They promised me before 3.15, so we'll see how good they are.	
	Mr STEPHEN JONES: Good man.	

## Answer

In the hearing Mr Jones asked for

- how many councils or other bodies have made applications under the area switch program
- how many have proceeded
- why they proceeded or did not proceed

Mr Morrow and Mr Rue undertook to provide this if possible and if not, to take it on notice. The data Bill and Stephen were seeking and which could reasonably have provided in the hearing, was not as detailed as requested and relates only to the total number of area switch. We can provide this data:

## **High Level Area Switch Counts**

358 Area Switch Applications since July 201290 Cost Estimates Supplied15 Applications in flight2 Sites In Service1 Site in Build