

**Joint Standing Committee on the National Broadband Network**

**Answers to Questions on Notice**

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**Topic: Fixed Wireless Investment**

**Mr Brian Mitchell, MP asked:**

**Mr BRIAN MITCHELL:** Thank you for attending, gentlemen. It seems we're running behind time. I'll try to keep my questions short, and if you wouldn't mind keeping your answers succinct, because we're having division bells today, that would be much appreciated. Just coming to the fixed wireless towers network: Mr Rue, is NBN Co investing more into fixed wireless today than it expected to back in 2015?

**Mr Rue:** Certainly the capacity program that we are working on is an incremental investment into the network, yes.

**Mr BRIAN MITCHELL:** Could I get a bit of clarity on that? Are you essentially spending more on fixed wireless today than you expected to three years ago?

**Mr Ryan:** To some extent, yes we are. I think it would be fair to say that the investment we're making today would be a little bit higher than we had in 2015, if you're referring to the 2015 corporate plan. Yes.

**Mr BRIAN MITCHELL:** To what extent are you spending more in dollar terms?

**Mr Rue:** I don't have that comparison with me, I'm sorry. I apologise. I don't have that have today. So let me take this on notice, if I could.

**Answer:**

The increased investment in Fixed Wireless will be disclosed in the Corporate Plan 2019-2022.