

JOINT COMMITTEE ON THE NATIONAL BROADBAND NETWORK

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Chair: Mr Robert Oakeshott MP Deputy Chair: Mrs Yvette D'Ath MP

NBN Co to report on NBN rollout performance

On Tuesday, 20 September, the Joint Committee on the National Broadband Network will hear from NBN Co on the performance measures associated with the rollout of the National Broadband Network (NBN), as it commences its next six monthly review.

Committee Chair, Rob Oakeshott said "This hearing continues the committee's review of the rollout of the NBN and takes up those issues which the committee commented on in its First Report and will pursue into the future. These include: performance reporting on rollout targets by the NBN Co, the engagement of private equity in funding the NBN, the NBN-readiness of Government agencies and service delivery and timeline for NBN rollout in regional and remote areas."

"The committee will examine the Telstra and Optus deals more closely and the associated competition issues, as well as the issues surrounding pricing of the NBN product, at hearings in October" Mr Oakeshott said.

The public hearing is part of the committee's ongoing six monthly review of the NBN rollout.

The committee will present its second report to the Parliament by the end of 2011.

PUBLIC HEARING INFORMATION

Tuesday, 20 September 2011, Committee Room 2S1, Parliament House, Canberra

6.30 pm NBN Co Ltd
8.00 pm Department of Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy
Department of Finance and Deregulation

Audio of the hearing will be available at: http://webcast.aph.gov.au/livebroadcasting/

For media comment: please contact the Chair's Office on 0429 787 320.

Further information about the inquiry is available: by contacting the Committee Secretariat on (02) 6277 2322 via email <u>icnbn@aph.gov.au</u> or by visiting the committee's webpage at: <u>www.aph.gov.au/jcnbn</u>