

JOINT COMMITTEE ON THE NATIONAL BROADBAND NETWORK

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

Joint Committee on the National Broadband Network meets in Sydney

The Parliamentary Joint Committee on the National Broadband Network met in Sydney on Friday 6 May to begin oversight work of Australia's largest infrastructure project for the coming decade.

The committee was formed as part of the Senate negotiations to pass the National Broadband Network (NBN) bills in late 2010, and has a wide oversight brief to explore all issues of relevance to maximise outcomes and minimise costs.

Committee Chair, Independent MP Rob Oakeshott, said that the committee will hold its first public hearing on Monday 16 May when NBN Co will be its first witness.

The committee will present its first report in August 2011, and is charged with providing six monthly reports on issues relating to the NBN rollout throughout the life of the project.

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