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Communications Portfolio
NBN Co Limited

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Topic: Adequately served

Senator Urquhart, Anne asked:

1. When was NBN Co's definition of Adequately Served last changed?
2. What were the changes?
3. What are the practical implications of this change for the rollout, consumers and the reporting of progress figures?

Answer:

- 1-2. The Adequately Served policy was developed by the Department of Communications and the Arts (then the Department of Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy) and released in April 2012. Both this policy and the Telecommunication in New Development Policy (March 2015) outline conditions under which nbn is to avoid overbuilding other high-speed broadband networks.
3. These areas are excluded from the nbn™ rollout so are not included in rollout figures.