

**Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications**

**Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice**

**Budget Estimates Hearings May 2014**

**Communications Portfolio**

**Department of Communications**

**Question No: 554**

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**Topic: TUSMA**

**Senator Urquhart asked:**

Are any of the agreements with Telstra that are administered by TUSMA being renegotiated as part of the Government and NBN Co's renegotiation of the NBN agreements with Telstra? If so, what? If not, can the Department guarantee they won't be?

**Answer:**

Telstra, NBN Co and the Government are well advanced in negotiating changes to the Definitive Agreements between Telstra and NBN Co. These negotiations have not yet concluded but are progressing well. The Government may, as part of these negotiations, agree changes with Telstra to the agreements administered by TUSMA, for example, to reflect the move to a multi-technology mix rollout of the NBN.