

Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications

Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice

Supplementary Budget Estimates Hearings November 2014

Communications Portfolio

NBN Co Limited

Question No: 209

Program No. NBN Co

Hansard Ref: In Writing

Topic: SSCNBN QoN 49 – SA and WA – July 2014

Senator Urquhart asked:

According to NBN Co's answer to Question on Notice No. 49 from the 11 July hearing of the Senate Select Committee, 19 contract instructions for build have been issued in South Australia and Western Australia since 8 September 2013.

- (a) How many contract instructions for build (FTTP) have been issued in South Australia and Western Australia since 8 September 2013 based on the most recent available information? Please provide FSAM identifier, estimated premises count, month of issue, and relevant delivery partner.
- (b) Prior to the election, NBN Co had issued contract instructions for physical design for the following FSAMs in South Australia and Western Australia: 5CPK-01, 5CPK-02, 5CPK-03, 5FLN-01, 5GAW-01, 5GAW-02, 5GAW-03, 5PTA-01, 5PTA-02, 5PTA-03, 5STI-01, 5STI-02, 5STI-03, 5YKL-01, 6APP-05, 6APP-06, 6APP-07, 6APP-08, 6CGE-03, 6CGE-04, 6CGE-05, 6GLT-07, 6KAT-01, 6KOJ-01, 6MDR-06, 6MDR-07, 6MDR-08, 6MDR-09, 6NTH-01, 6NTM-01, 6SPT-06, 6SPT-07, 6SPT-08, 6VIC-08, 6VIC-09 and 6YND-01.
 - (i) Please indicate whether any of these FSAMs were handed back as part of the Syntheo settlement, and if so, which ones.
 - (ii) Of the FSAMs identified at (i), please indicate whether any of these FSAMs were subsequently reissued to another delivery partner for physical design. If so, please identify the delivery partner and the date of issue.
- (c) Please list the FSAMs identified at (b), above, in which physical design has been completed.
- (d) Please indicate whether the FSAMs identified at (b), above, are scheduled to receive fibre-to-the-premises access technology.
- (e) The Strategic Review indicates that the cost of physical design, EAC, is \$127 per premise (Exhibit 2-26, page 52). What was the cost for physical design for the FSAMs identified at (b), above? Please provide on a per premises basis, or for the FSAM as a whole.
- (f) Has NBN Co issued any design contract instructions for fibre in South Australia and Western Australia since 8 September 2013? If so, please indicate how many and the estimated premises count.

Answer:

- (a) As at 31 December 2014, 40 contract instructions for build of approximately 88,300 premises have been issued in SA & WA since 8 September 2013.

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FSAM	Estimated Premise Count	Month Issued	Delivery Partner
5MOD-02	2,261	Nov-13	SAPN
5SFD-02	2,405	Mar-14	FULTON
5MOD-03	1,987	Mar-14	SAPN
5PRO-03	2,816	Apr-14	SAPN
5MOD-04	2,592	Apr-14	SAPN
5ALD-04	1,505	Apr-14	FULTON
5PRO-02	2,615	May-14	SAPN
5PRO-04	2,430	Jun-14	SAPN
5SBY-01	2,659	Jun-14	FULTON
5PTE-01	2,475	Jul-14	SAPN
5MOD-05	2,214	Jul-14	SAPN
5PTE-02	2,285	Jul-14	SAPN
5PRO-05	2,041	Aug-14	FULTON
5SFD-05	1,604	Aug-14	FULTON
5PTE-03	1,642	Aug-14	SAPN
5MOD-07	2,589	Aug-14	SAPN
5MOD-06	2,643	Sep-14	SAPN
5PRO-06	2,004	Sep-14	FULTON
5PTE-04	1,891	Oct-14	SAPN
5PRO-05	0	Oct-14	SAPN
5MOD-09	2,678	Oct-14	SAPN
5SFD-03	873	Oct-14	FULTON
5PTA-01	2,442	Nov-14	SAPN
5ALD-05	1,517	Dec-14	FULTON
6GLT-04	2,373	Mar-14	WBHO
6MDR-04	2,814	Apr-14	DOWNER EDI
6VIC-05	2,516	Apr-14	DOWNER EDI
6APP-01	3,088	May-14	DOWNER EDI
6VIC-04	2,318	Jun-14	DOWNER EDI
6GLT-05	1,322	Jun-14	WBHO
6PNJ-01	2,495	Jun-14	DOWNER EDI
6PNJ-02	917	Jul-14	DOWNER EDI
6SPT-01	3,316	Jul-14	DOWNER EDI
6APP-03	2,874	Aug-14	DOWNER EDI
6MSP-05	487	Oct-14	DOWNER EDI
6SPT-04	2,834	Oct-14	DOWNER EDI
6APP-04	2,910	Oct-14	DOWNER EDI
6VIC-06	2,948	Oct-14	DOWNER EDI
6GLT-06	2,203	Nov-14	WBHO
6MSP-04	2,716	Dec-14	DOWNER EDI

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(b) (i) 35 of the contract instructions were handed back from Syntheo

5CPK-01
5CPK-02
5CPK-03
5GAW-01
5GAW-02
5GAW-03
5PTA-01
5PTA-02
5PTA-03
5STI-01
5STI-02
5STI-03
5YKL-01
6APP-05
6APP-06
6APP-07
6APP-08
6CGE-03
6CGE-04
6CGE-05
6GLT-07
6KAT-01
6KOJ-01
6MDR-06
6MDR-07
6MDR-08
6MDR-09
6NTH-01
6NTM-01
6SPT-06
6SPT-07
6SPT-08
6VIC-08
6VIC-09
6YND-01

(b) (ii) 25 design instructions have subsequently been reissued.

FSAM	Reissued to other DP	Month Issued
5CPK-01	SAPN	Oct-14
5CPK-02	SAPN	Nov-14
5GAW-01	SAPN	Oct-14
5GAW-02	SAPN	Nov-14
5PTA-01	SAPN	May-14

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FSAM	Reissued to other DP	Month Issued
5PTA-02	SAPN	Jun-14
5PTA-03	SAPN	Jun-14
5STI-01	NBNCO	Apr-12
5STI-02	NBNCO	Aug-12
5STI-03	NBNCO	Dec-12
5YKL-01	TELSTRA	Jun-14
6APP-05	TELSTRA	Jun-14
6APP-06	TELSTRA	Jul-14
6APP-07	TELSTRA	Oct-14
6GLT-07	TELSTRA	Apr-14
6MDR-06	TELSTRA	Jul-14
6MDR-07	TELSTRA	Oct-14
6MDR-08	TELSTRA	Sep-14
6MDR-09	TELSTRA	Oct-14
6SPT-06	NBNCO	Jun-14
6SPT-07	TELSTRA	Sep-14
6SPT-08	TELSTRA	Oct-14
6VIC-08	TELSTRA	Oct-14
6VIC-09	TELSTRA	Oct-14
6YND-01	TELSTRA	Oct-12

- (c) As at 31 December 2014, 5PTA-01, 5PTA-02, 5PTA-03, 5YKL-01 and 6SPT-06 have completed physical designs.
- (d) The following FSAMs: 5CPK-01, 5CPK-02, 5PTA-02, 5PTA-03, 5YKL-01, 6APP-07, 6GLT-07, 6MDR-06, 6MDR-07, 6MDR-08, 6MDR-09, 6SPT-06, 6SPT-07, 6SPT-08, 6VIC-08 and 6VIC-09 are planned for fibre to the premises access technology.
- (e) NBN Co maintains that the value of the physical design costs is commercially confidential between NBN Co and its delivery partners. If this information was to be released it could cause harm to NBN Co (and hence the Australian taxpayer) by putting it at a commercial disadvantage when dealing with other suppliers.
- (f) As at 31 December 2014, 70 design instructions for approximately 161,000 premises have been issued in SA & WA since 8 September 2013.