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Topic: CAPEX

Senator Urquhart, Anne asked:

- 1. Please list vendors who have been engaged to develop footprint specific ICT solutions/systems for the following NBN access networks:
 - (a) HFC
 - (b) FTTN
 - (c) FTTdP
 - (d) FTTB
- 2. Please provide the amount of CAPEX NBN has invested to date in ICT/OSS/BSS/Software for each of the following network specific footprints:
 - (a) FTTN/b/dp
 - (b) HFC
 - (c) FTTH

Please list costs separately.

- 3. Please provide an estimate of the amount of ICT/OSS/BSS/Software CAPEX that currently shared across the fixed line technology footprint?
- 4. Please provide the amount of CAPEX NBN estimate will be invested in IT/OSS/BSS/software up to FY21 for each of the following network solutions:
 - (a) FTTN(b) FTTB
 - (c) HFC
 - (d) FTTH; and
 - (e) FTTdp

Please list costs separately.

Answer:

- 1. The only network with a specific ICT solution (ie. an ICT solution that is not shared with other networks) is HFC. For these HFC solutions, the vendors engaged were Infosys, Accenture, Comptel, Alcatel, and IBM.
- 2. Capex for ICT solutions specific to the HFC footprint is \$149m. All other ICT capex relates to multiple network footprints.

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- 3. We are unable to report the ICT capex specific only to fixed line networks, as the relevant ICT solutions also support the Fixed Wireless network.
- 4. Current nbn ICT capex forecasts to FY21 largely relate to lifecycle and scalability of existing systems, and are not split by network solutions.