

Chronology

National Broadband Network

Timeframe	Milestone
2008	
11 April	RFP issued - Submissions invited on regulation and the Australian Broadband Guarantee
23 May	Closing date for bond and confidentiality deed
30 June	Regulatory submissions available
26 November	Closing time for Proposals
December to January 2009	Assessment of Proposals
2009	
21 January	Scheduled identification of preferred proponent(s) by Expert Panel
7 April	NBN Announcement (RFP tender terminated)
7 April	Regulatory reform discussion paper released
8 April	Tasmanian first stage of NBN rollout announced
9 April	Establishment of the NBN Co Limited
23 April	Regional backhaul initiative consultation paper released
24 April	REOI for implementation study lead advisor released
12 May	Submissions to backhaul initiative due
13 May	Order of the Senate preventing the consideration of any NBN related legislation until after the production of RFP-related documents
19 May	Responses to implementation study REOI due
25 May	REOI short-listed applicants to be notified
29 May	Implementation study RFT documents to short-listed applicants
May	Request for Tender for backhaul initiative scheduled to be issued
3 June	Submissions to regulatory review due
12 June	Submissions on greenfields paper due
16 June	Implementation Study RFT closes

Timeframe	Milestone
End of Winter sittings	First NBN legislation scheduled to be introduced including bill for greenfields proposal
25 June	First Government NBN bill introduced
1 July	Backhaul priority locations announced; tender issued
3 July	Release of discussion paper <i>National Broadband Network: Regulatory Reform for 21st Century Broadband</i> . Submissions also called for on governance arrangements for NBN Co
6 July	Implementation Study scheduled to commence
16 July	Establishment of NBN Tasmania (fully-owned subsidiary of NBN Co); first tender for the first Tasmanian stage of NBN released
24 July	Appointment of Executive Chair of NBN Co and Chair of NBN Tasmania announced
30 July	Submissions due on legislative framework for NBN
July	Negotiations and award of Lead Advisor contract(s) scheduled to be concluded
5 August	Responses to backhaul RFT due
6 August	Five new board members appointed to NBN Co
6 August	McKinsey-KPMG appointed Lead Advisor
13 August	Appointment of directors to NBN Tasmania
14 August	Establishment of Greenfields Stakeholder Reference Group announced
21 August	First board meeting of NBN Tasmania
10 September	Total full-time NBNC Co staff now 12
15 September	Aurora Energy announces construction of backhaul commences
15 September	Telecommunications Legislation Amendment
17 September	Inquiry into Telecommunications Legislation Amendment
8 October	Corning Cable Systems wins first supply contract for over 300km of backhaul fibre Tasmanian NBN
19 October	Full time employees of NBN Co now number 40
21 October	Telecommunications Legislation Amendment passed in House of Representatives
22 October	Communications Alliance releases Discussion Paper on High Level Architecture Option for the NBN

Timeframe	Milestone
26 October	BCA Report released condemning the Government's lack of a cost-benefit analysis for the NBN
26 October	Expert Panel Report excerpts and ACCC Report tabled in the Senate
26 October	Inquiry Report on Telecommunications Legislation Amendment tabled in the Senate
26 October	Aurora Energy begins tender process for TES for its FTTP Access Nodes
29 October	Senate agrees to release Telecommunications Bill from the requirements of the Order of the Senate
29 October	Bidding process commenced for the 'Smart Grid Smart City' initiative
Late October	Productivity Commission tables Annual Report critical of no Cost-benefit analysis for NBN.
December	Fibre scheduled to be connected to first premises in Tasmanian roll out
2010	
February	Final report of Implementation Study due
July	First NBN services expected to be available in Tasmania
1 September	Trial network to be in place in Scottsdale, Midway point and Smithton (announced 30.9.09)

