



**Subject:** DBCDE additional information for Telecommunications Amendment (Enhancing Community Consultation) Bill 2011 inquiry  
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**Attachments:** EME Report - Lennox Head.pdf  
EME Report - Ballina.pdf  
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Dear Dr Perrem

Thank you for the opportunity to appear before the Infrastructure and Communications Committee today in relation the Telecommunications Amendment (Enhancing Community Consultation) Bill 2011.

This email provides the additional information we undertook to provide the Committee.

#### **Submissions to the inquiry**

As we indicated, the Department has reviewed the submissions to the Committee closely and, of those that mention specific locations we believe that 26 submissions relate to new free-standing towers (ie those that are installed under state and territory legislation) and 22 submissions relate to new low-impact facilities. The breakdown is provided below. It should be noted that these figures are based on our existing knowledge of certain recent facility installations. In some instances the submitter has provided a general location for the facility. Without a precise address, and in some instances the carrier, it is not possible to be certain that installation has been identified correctly.

There were 26 submissions in relation to specific towers. The amendments in the Bill would not affect the installation of such towers as far as we can determine.

- 6 submissions in relation to Bicton, WA
- 5 submissions in relation to Bawley Point, NSW
- 4 submissions in relation to Currumbin Valley, Qld
- 2 submissions in relation to Warrandyte, Vic
- 2 submissions in relation to Brighton, Qld
- 2 submissions in relation to Tinderbox, Tas
- 2 submissions in relation to towers at unknown sites (not low-impact as submissions identified that development applications had been submitted to the council)
- 1 submission in relation to Highfields, Qld
- 1 submission in relation to Clunes, NSW
- 1 submission in relation to Gawler, SA

There were 22 submissions in relation to specific low-impact facilities.

- 8 submissions in relation to Bardon/Rainworth, Qld
- 6 submissions in relation to Sandy Bay, Tas
- 3 submissions in relation to Lennox Head, NSW
- 1 submission in relation to Berowra Heights, NSW
- 1 submission in relation to Summer Hill, NSW
- 1 submission in relation to Mt Hawthorne, WA
- 1 submission in relation to Double Bay, NSW
- 1 submission in relation to Ballina, NSW

#### **Information about EME and Radio Frequency National Site Archive (RFNSA)**

The Australian Mobile Telecommunications Association maintains the Radio Frequency National Site Archive [www.rfnsa.com.au](http://www.rfnsa.com.au). The location of mobile phone transmitters and EME reports can be found by typing the suburb name, postcode or site number into the 'quick search' box under 'locating base stations & EME reports' on this page. I have attached EME reports relating to two sites on which submissions were made to the Committee – Lennox Head and Ballina – for reference.

For your convenience, I have also attached a copy of the department's opening statement from the hearings for reference.

I trust this information will be useful to the Committee.

Please contact us if you think we may be able to be of further assistance to the Committee.

Yours sincerely

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