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Topic: FTTP SAMs - Timeframes

Senator Urquhart, Anne asked:

In its answer to Question on Notice No. 96 from Supplementary Budget Estimates Hearings October 2015, NBN Co writes: "The period from Design commenced to Ready for Service (RFS) can vary greatly depending on the size and complexity of an individual Service Area Module. The average duration of FTTP SAMs in the current plan is approximately 15-20 months."

- (a) What is the equivalent duration of FTTP SAMs?
- (b) What is the equivalent duration of FTTP SAMs which reached RFS during the period 1 July 2014 to 31 December 2015?

Answer:

- (a) The period from Design Commenced to Ready for Service (RFS) can vary greatly depending on the size and complexity of an individual Fibre Serving Area Module. For Fibre-to-the-Premises (FTTP) only Serving Area Modules (SAMs) this currently averages 23 months.
- (b) The average duration of the subset of the above SAMs that reached RFS during the period 1 July 2014 to 31 December 2015 is approximately 25 months (from Design Commenced to RFS).