

**Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications**

**Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice**

**Additional Estimates February 2017**

**Communications Portfolio**

**Department of Communications and the Arts**

**Question No: 16**

**Department of Communications and the Arts**

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**Topic: Co-location of Round 2 stations**

**Senator Urquhart, Anne asked:**

How many of the base stations from Round 2 will be co-located with NBN fixed wireless towers?

**Answer:**

The Mobile Black Spot Program round 2 guidelines encourages applicants to seek opportunities to co-locate on NBN fixed wireless towers where appropriate. To date at least 34 round 2 base stations are expected to co-locate onto NBN fixed wireless towers.

This number is likely to change as the rollout progresses. In some cases the co-location may not proceed, in other cases new co-locations may occur, for example as NBN completes more towers.