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Topic: FSAMs in Tasmania

Senator Urquhart asked:

On 23 May, the Tasmanian premier, Mr Hodgman, welcomed the announcement of the two new FSAMs in Tasmania. The premier then said:

I am very pleased to announce work is already underway at both sites to increase the aerial deployment with 107 poles being utilised at Glebe and 183 at Riverside.

What percentage of those premises in those two FSAMs will now be completed using aerial deployment?

Mr Adcock: I will take that on notice and come back.

Answer:

The Riverside Fibre Serving Area Module (FSAM) in Launceston and Glebe FSAM in Hobart, are part of the business as usual programme for the aerial fibre to the premises rollout in Tasmania. Of the 2,666 premises in Riverside, 308 (12 per cent) will be deployed aerially. Of the 2,651 premises in Glebe, 281 premises (11 per cent) will be deployed aerially.