

**Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications**

**Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice**

**Additional Estimates Hearings May 2014**

**Communications Portfolio**

**NBN Co Limited**

**Question No: 290**

**Program No. NBN Co Limited**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Strategic Review**

**Senator Urquhart asked:**

1. Can NBN Co guarantee that the renegotiation with Telstra will be completed by 30 June? Can NBN Co guarantee that the renegotiation with Telstra will be concluded in a sufficient time for the timeframes in the Strategic Review to be achieved?
2. Can NBN Co guarantee that the renegotiation with Optus will be completed by 30 June? Can NBN Co guarantee that the renegotiation with Optus will be concluded in a sufficient time for the timeframes in the Strategic Review to be achieved?

**Answer:**

1-2. Negotiations between NBN Co and Telstra/Optus are commercial in confidence and if specific details were released such action could cause damage to the commercial interests of the company, including ongoing contractual negotiations between the parties.