Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice Budget Estimates May 2017 Communications Portfolio Department of Communications and the Arts

Question No: 367

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Topic: Electorate Briefs

Senator Urquhart, Anne asked:

I refer to the NBN Electorate Briefs that were generated on 30 November 2016 and I received under FOI on 28 March 2017. I note that these NBN Electorate Briefs were generated after the first FTTdp/FTTC announcement of late September 2016 but before the second FTTC announcement of 16 June 2017.

- a. Why are none of the towns and suburbs announced as a part of the FTTdp change in September 2016 listed as receiving FTTC or FTTdp in this batch of NBN Electorate Briefs?
- b. On what date was the database updated to reflect FTTC or FTTdp for the suburbs and towns announced in September 2016?

Answer:

- a. NBN Co Limited (nbn) was not providing separate data about FTTC rollout in the information provided to the Department at the time the 30 November 2016 reports were produced. At that time FTTN/FTTB and FTTC rollout information was combined.
- b. nbn began providing separate FTTC data during June 2017.