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Department of Communications and the Arts

Question No: 21

Program 1.1

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Topic: National Brief – planned rollout of the multi-technology mix (MTM)

Senator Urquhart, Anne asked:

During the Supplementary Budget Estimates hearing of 20 October 2015, the Department of Communications and the Arts indicated that it had prepared individual briefs for every federal electorate in Australia on the planned rollout of the multi-technology mix (MTM) over the next three years, on the basis of information from NBN Co's three year construction plan provided by NBN Co. The Department indicated also that state and territory briefs and a national brief had been prepared.

Please provide the national brief prepared by the Department. If for some reason this is not possible, please advise:

- (a) The number of premises ready for service for each access technology nationally at the time of finalising the national brief;
- (b) The number of premises active for each access technology nationally at the time of finalising the national brief.

Answer:

The briefing material referred to was prepared by the Department for the Minister for Communications and the Arts and his office in October 2015. NBN Co publishes up-to-date, detailed rollout information on its public website at www.nbnco.com.au including the number of premises ready for service, the number which are 'service class zero' where applicable, and the number of premises with an active connection across various technology categories NBN Co publishes updated and detailed information on the NBN on its website www.nbnco.com.au.

Below is a table containing the requested premise numbers nationally that were Ready For Service (RFS) and activated for NBN services as of the week ending 15 October 2015.

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	Brownfields - Number of Premises RFS	Brownfields - Activated Premises	Greenfields - Number of Premises RFS	Greenfields - Activated Premises	Fixed Wireless - Number of Premises RFS	Fixed Wireless - Activated Premises	Satellite - Activated Premises
Total	866,422	399,862	212,847	121,425	295,139	70,830	36,914

* Source: NBN Co website (Week ending 15 October 2015)

In addition, NBN Co's Government Relations team is available to provide briefings for Members of Parliament and Senators regarding the status of the rollout in their particular electorates and states.