

**Senate Standing Committee on Economics**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

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**Question:** aet113 (ACCC)

**Topic:** Meetings with the G9

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**Senator CONROY asked:**

How many meetings have you had with the G9?

**Mr Dimasi**—We have had several. Off the top of my head, I could not tell you exactly the number, but we have had several.

**Senator CONROY**—I am happy for you to take this on notice: could you indicate how many there have been, who attended them, and the dates.

**Mr Dimasi**—We will take that on notice.

**Mr Cosgrave**—We are happy to do that. The G9 being a collective of individuals, that will reflect that there have been a number of discussions with individual members who have carriage of various issues. So there will be a large number.

**Response:**

Between May 2006 and March 2007, the ACCC had held five face to face meetings with the G9 consortium regarding their FTTN proposal. These meetings were convened on the following dates:

§ 3 May 2006

Attendees: Graeme Samuel, Ed Willett, and ACCC staff (ACCC); Senior staff of G9 consortium member Optus.

§ 19 July 2006

Attendees: Michael Cosgrave and ACCC staff (ACCC); Senior staff of G9 consortium members Optus, Macquarie Corporate Telecommunications, and Powertel.

§ 30 November 2006

Attendees: Graeme Samuel, Ed Willett, and ACCC staff (ACCC); Senior staff of G9 consortium members Macquarie Corporate Telecommunications, Optus, and AAPT.

§ 1 February 2007

Attendees: Graeme Samuel, Ed Willett, and ACCC staff (ACCC); CEOs of G9 consortium members AAPT, iiNet, Internode, Optus, Macquarie Corporate Telecommunications, PowerTel, Primus, Soul and TransACT.

§ 20 February 2007

Attendees: Michael Cosgrave and ACCC staff (ACCC); Senior staff of G9 consortium members Macquarie Corporate Telecommunications, and Optus; and senior staff member from Investec.