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New nbn deals to design and build first FTTC homes

nbn has signed three Design and Construction Master Agreements (DCMA) for the build of approximately 525,000 premises in Sydney and Melbourne. While most of these homes will be served with **nbn**'s latest technology, Fibre to the Curb (FTTC), some may be connected via Fibre-to the Premises, Node or Basement (FTTP/N/B).

The three new FTTC DCMA agreements are with delivery partners: Downer EDI Limited; Fulton Hogan Construction; and, Service Stream. The partners were selected based on performance metrics, ability to mobilise and support scale, and their design and construction capability. The FTTC DCMAs enable **nbn** to issue work releases at the Fibre Serving Area (FSA) level, incorporating single-dwelling units, multi-dwelling units, bespoke premises, distribution and local fibre networks.

nbn Chief Network Engineering Officer Peter Ryan said:

"The new agreements will support our world-leading FTTC technology. Importantly, we have the flexibility to deploy other technologies easily over time. The design and construction framework is intended to enable a faster rollout, by providing end-to-end accountability for the footprint", said Mr Ryan.

The FTTC DCMAs aim to incentivise delivery partners to meet time and cost targets. This is designed to encourage ongoing performance improvements, through innovation and program management.

For premises outside the FTTC DCMA footprint, **nbn** is negotiating contract variations with its current Planning and Design Services Agreement (PDSA) and Multi-technology Integrated Master Agreement (MIMA) delivery partners to incorporate the FTTC technology.

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