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## **nbn™ HFC Update**

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#### Agenda

- Introduction to HFC in the MTM
- Components of the HFC network
- Rollout of the HFC Network
- HFC Pause announcement
- Questions





# Technology allocation across Australia

**nbn** uses a set of business rules when determining the technology for an area to meet the key objectives of:

- delivering a minimum wholesale 25/5mbps
- using a mix of technologies best matched to each area
- building the network by 2020

#### **Considerations:**

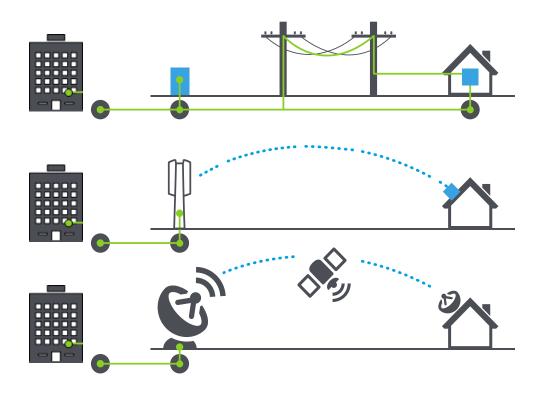
- Density of premises
- Proximity to **nbn** infrastructure backhaul, transit and exchange availability, etc.
- Existing infrastructure

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• Fixed line (92%) FTTP, FTTN/B, HFC, FTTC



• Sky Muster (3%)



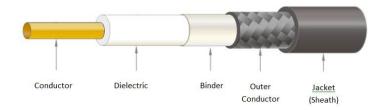
## What is Hybrid Fibre Coax (HFC)?

- HFC networks installed extensively during the 80s and 90s to deliver Cable (Pay) TV services
- Originally downstream service only  $\rightarrow$  growth in broadband
- Data-Over-Cable Service Interface Specifications
- Currently available via Telstra and Optus Nationally
- **Nbn** is only using the Telstra

## Why HFC?

- HFC is a leading Broadband delivery method around the world
- around 140 million subscribers worldwide, roughly 20% of total broadband subs.
- DOCSIS 3.0 services are currently delivering
   **100Mbps+** services in over 30 broadband markets
- Using DOCSIS 3.0 services operators are already offering services of **500Mbps**
- Launch of DOCSIS 3.1 services: 1Gbps







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#### Key HFC components

Exchange: CMTS (Cable Modem Termination System)



RF Tap Aerial tap



Tap in pedestal



**RF** amplifier

Aerial amplifier



Amplifier in pedestal



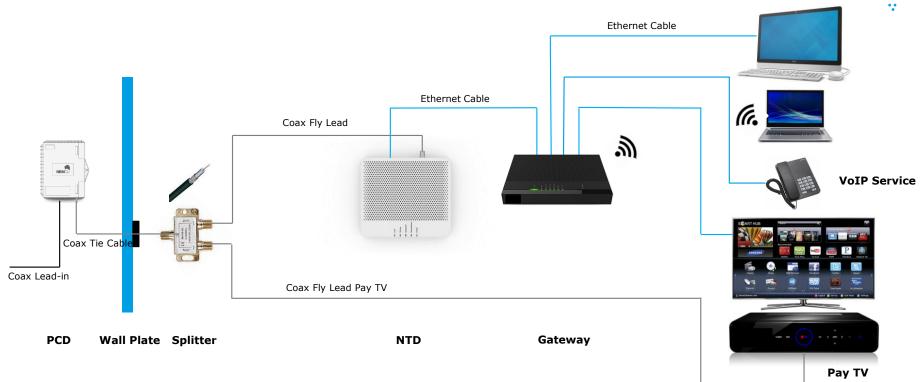
Fibre-optic node / hub Aerial example



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# In Home Connection Set-Up



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## Pause announcement<sup>718/62</sup>

- Pause on connection, rollout and activation across all HFC areas
- What happens to your constituents:
  - Already connected to the nbn HFC network: no impact
  - In a live area, have not yet connected: No new orders progressed
  - In a construction area: pause applies
  - Construction yet to commence: pause applies
- Redirection of our crews back to live areas
- Correspondence to affected premises
- Rollout remains on target for 2020 completion



#### Pause announcement

- Pause on connection, rollout and activation across all HFC areas
- Frequency impacted
- Leakage points
- F-Type connectors change out
- Installation of lead-ins where necessary (elimination of SC20 & SC21s)

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#### Questions

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