

# Summary of the new Telecommunications Infrastructure in New Developments Policy

The Minister for Communications, the Hon Malcolm Turnbull MP has released a new **Telecommunications Infrastructure in New Developments Policy**, which guides how telecommunications will be delivered in new developments.

The key change will be the introduction of infrastructure contributions. The policy's fundamental objective is to increase efficiency and broaden choice in the provision of telecommunications by encouraging fair competition and ensuring some recovery of costs up front.

**nbn** is introducing a number of new processes to bring us in line with the policy changes, while ensuring minimal disruption to the delivery of infrastructure to your development.

**nbn** has commenced issuing new Developer Agreements as well as introducing a number of new tools to help make connecting to the **nbn**<sup>TM</sup> network quicker and easier.

While there are changes ahead, we look forward to continuing to provide responsive and reliable services to help deliver affordable and high speed broadband to your development.

**nbn** is introducing new tools to help make applying and connecting quicker:

- ✓ **Timely feasibility** assessment and backhaul estimates for developers.
- ✓ **Online contracting** and acceptance.
- ✓ **Online billing split** over two payment stages.
- ✓ **Streamlined process** for updating stages and construction timings.
- ✓ **Quicker and more efficient certification process** for developer installed infrastructure.



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## The key elements of the new policy

- **Developers will continue to be able to choose carriers**, including **nbn™**, to service their developments.
- **Developers will continue to meet the cost** of pit and pipe.
- **Developers will be required to contribute** to the cost of providing telecommunications infrastructure.
- **nbn** is required to charge the Retail Service Provider (RSPs) which places an order for an **nbn™** network service to premises in a new development a one-time charge of \$300. It is anticipated that RSPs will pass the charge through to end-users.
- Provider of Last Resort Responsibilities will remain largely the same.
- Consistent with the multi-technology mix model, **nbn will be able to select the technology** it will deliver to your developments.
- **nbn will work with stakeholders** to simplify pit and pipe specifications (where appropriate).

## Infrastructure Contributions

The table below identifies some of the key infrastructure contributions that will be phased in to comply with the policy changes.

Contribution	Costs	Party Responsible	Date of Effect
End-user contribution per premises <i>(nbn will apply this charge to all new orders for services in new developments)</i>	<b>\$300</b>	RSP contracted with <b>nbn</b> <i>(RSP may pass through to end-user)</i>	1 July 2015 <i>(subject to necessary implementation processes)</i>
Deployment contribution per lot/premises (SDU)	<b>\$600</b>	Developer	1 March 2015*
Deployment contribution per premises (MDU)	<b>\$400</b>	Developer	1 March 2015*
<b>nbn</b> backhaul already available	<b>No charge</b>	N/A	1 July 2015*
Backhaul costs up to \$1000 per lot/premises	<b>Up to 50% of costs</b>	Developer	1 July 2015*
Backhaul costs over \$1000 per lot/premises	<b>Up to 100% of costs over \$1000</b> <i>(in addition to up to 50% of the first \$1000)</i>	Developer	1 July 2015*

\*applications approved on and after this date

Additional costs may be incurred for developments where there is no existing **nbn™** network access infrastructure.

We encourage developers to request a Feasibility Assessment to determine all potential backhaul contributions by contacting:

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