



COALITION NBN DELIVERS MORE AFFORDABLE, BETTER INTERNET AND MOBILE TELEPHONE SERVICES SOONER

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Angus Taylor, the Liberal Candidate for Hume said today that he welcomed the announcement of the coalition's broadband policy. He said that regional Australia will be significantly better off under the coalition's NBN and telecommunications plan.

Mr Taylor said coalition's super-fast national broadband network will deliver massive improvements well ahead of Labor's project at a little more than half the cost. This means lower prices for consumers, and faster internet for the regions sooner.

Mr Taylor said that the coalition's promised speed of 25 mbps by 2016, is many times faster than the broadband speeds people around Goulburn are getting now, but at much lower cost.

Mr Taylor said:

"For regional Australia in particular, it is a superior plan and importantly, it is also an entirely deliverable plan. We will actually get this done.

"The plan accelerates the roll-out to deliver high speed internet to all areas of Australia by 2016. We are also committing to reprioritise the roll-out to areas of highest need, not to areas which provide political gains. Many regional areas, including in Goulburn and surrounding towns, will fall into the areas of highest need.

"The other important part of the coalition plan is to fix mobile phone black spots. The NBN will be required to address mobile black spots as part of its roll out, and it will have to allow competitors to use these towers. Key areas of Hume will do well out of this if we gather the facts and make the case. I have already begun working with some councils and communities to deliver this, and I speak frequently to Malcolm Turnbull about this issue.

"Labor's NBN project is in a state of near collapse. As Malcolm Turnbull has said today, it will never be finished due to poor management and a completely flawed plan from the start.

“The Labor NBN was never going to get to the household of most of regional Australians.”

Mr Taylor said:

“I am very excited about the coalition’s NBN plan, and I am looking forward to promoting it widely in the lead up to the election. I am confident that the Australian people and people will back the coalition’s NBN. It aims very, very high, but is based on common sense, good planning, and good economics.”

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