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**Office of Senator The Hon Mitch Fifield
Parliament House
Canberra ACT 2600**

Attention: Mr Darren Disney
Chief of Staff

Thank you for your letter dated 5 November 2015 re National Broadband Network rollout in Northern Illawarra and we appreciate the Senator's interest in assisting us in progressing our initiative.

We note from your letter and from our review of the NBN rollout plans at www.nbnco.com.au that one suburb in the 2508 postcode area, Darkes Forest, appears to be missing from the rollout. Darkes Forest is a suburb containing many small businesses and having that locality missing from the rollout continues to put those businesses and that community at a competitive disadvantage.

We would appreciate your office confirming that our understanding re the NBN rollout and Darkes Forest is correct and, if so, help us to have Darkes Forest rightly added to the rollout for 2508.

We also seek the Senator's advice on how we can accelerate the actual build-phase of the NBN in the 2508 postcode, including Darkes Forest, and the 2515 postcode to help alleviate the commercial disadvantage our small businesses are currently suffering.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gregory Watts', written over a horizontal line.

Gregory Watts
President
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cc: Mr Gareth Ward MP