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To: National Broadband Network Taskforce
Subject: FTTx Build.

Dear Sirs,

This is a late submission prompted by yesterday's news from
... <http://www.theaustralian.news.com.au/story/0,25197,23447848-7582,00.html>

It states, "The Government is promising \$4.7billion in public money to help pay for the proposed network. Telstra says it will put in \$4.6 billion of its own money and use the government funds to extend the network into what otherwise would be uncommercial areas outside the big cities. "

Does this leave leave room for imposing some differential in pricing (and or service) so that Metro users can be charged Sol's 18% ROI costings, and the un-serviced areas "the Samuel's \$2.50 access fee? OR some thing 'in the middle" - like Gov't pays, you build, and get a 'royalty indexed to (for example) the CPI'

This of course could be applied to any other bidder as well?

Written in a hurry, and therefore possibly a bit garbled, but I trust you get my meaning.

Thanks,

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