



Australian Government

**Department of Broadband,
Communications and the Digital Economy**

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS NO. DCON/08/18

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS TO ROLL-OUT AND OPERATE A NATIONAL
BROADBAND NETWORK FOR AUSTRALIA**

CLARIFICATION NUMBER 5

QUESTION: *Will the Bond be refunded to a Proponent if it is unsuccessful, or is the Bond only refunded to a successful Proponent.*

ANSWER: Yes, bonds will be refunded to unsuccessful Proponents in accordance with clause 8.1.3 (Pre-Qualification Requirements – Bond/Confidentiality Deed):

“Subject to clause 8.1.2, the bond (to the extent not drawn in accordance with its terms) will be returned to a Proponent upon contract execution with the successful Proponent or in the event that the Commonwealth terminates the RFP process in accordance with clause 5.3.1 (Termination of the RFP process).”