



## Media Release

### Request for Capability Statement: Satellite Services

**19 January, 2010**

NBN Co Limited, the company established to deliver the National Broadband Network, today extended an invitation for Capability Statements from experienced Satellite Network operators and equipment providers capable of supporting the delivery of NBN Co's satellite service requirements.

NBN Co Executive Chairman Mike Quigley said: "NBN Co is looking for companies with proven capabilities to act as key suppliers in what represents an important nation-building project and engineering challenge. This is an important milestone in the progress of the project, particularly for the provision of high-speed broadband services to rural and regional Australia."

NBN Co would like to hear from suitably qualified partners that can offer key elements of the satellite network and those prepared to work cohesively with other suppliers to jointly provide a complete solution. Submissions must recognise and address the special technical requirements of NBN Co's high-speed broadband network.

Following an evaluation of Capability Statements NBN Co will invite five to ten suppliers to participate in a formal Request for Proposal process.

The Request for Capability Statements represent the first step in an involved procurement and evaluation process supporting NBN Co's plans to provide high-speed broadband services to those areas that won't be serviced by its fibre-to-the-premises network or by wireless.

This Request for Capability Statement will be available from 5pm, Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> of January, 2010. All written and electronic responses must be received by 5pm, Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> of February, 2010.

To download the Request for Capability Statement (RCS) please see: [www.nbnco.com.au](http://www.nbnco.com.au)

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