


Competition and Consumer Act 2010

Notice of extension of decision making period for making an access determination under subsection 152BCK(3)

1. Pursuant to subsection 152BCK(3) of the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010*, the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (Commission) extends the period for making a final access determination in relation to the wholesale ADSL service to 13 August 2013.
2. The Commission has been unable to make a final access determination within the previously extended period due to the time and complexity involved in determining the price and non-price terms for the wholesale ADSL service. It was necessary for the Commission to conduct further targeted consultations with stakeholders on key issues. Stakeholders have also provided a number of new and/or delayed substantive submissions, which the Commission is considering as part of this process.
3. The Commission considers that the extension of the decision making period will:
 - a. allow sufficient time for the Commission to make a draft final access determination and seek submissions on this draft, and
 - b. allow sufficient time for the Commission to make a final access determination.

Note: the Commission commenced a public inquiry into making an access determination in relation to the wholesale ADSL service on 14 February 2012. The Commission extended the inquiry on 6 July 2012 to 13 February 2013.

Dated this 7th day of February 2013



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Rodney Graham Sims
Chairman
Australian Competition and Consumer Commission