



TASMANIAN FARMERS & GRAZIERS ASSOCIATION

Domestic mobile roaming declaration inquiry – Draft Decision

[Australian Competition and Consumer Commission](#)

By email: MobileRoamingInquiry@acc.gov.au

The Tasmanian Farmers & Graziers Association (TFGA) is the leading representative body for Tasmanian primary producers. TFGA members are responsible for generating approximately 80% of the value created by the Tasmanian agricultural sector.

Agriculture is one of the key pillars of the Tasmanian economy and, with the current level of support from government, we are well positioned to further capitalise on the stature of Tasmania agriculture.

The Australian Bureau of Statistics estimates that Tasmania's Gross State Product for 2014-15 was \$25.42 billion. Agriculture, forestry and fishing in 2014-15 was Tasmania's largest industry representing 9.6% (\$2.29B) of Tasmania's total gross value added.

The TFGA is steadfast in its belief that all of our members and regional Tasmanians should have access to, or expect that:

- an equitable, sustainable and affordable mobile network be developed and maintained.
- telecommunication companies are profitable, and as such will provide a high-quality service for all Tasmanians.
- high quality internet and mobile services are provided at a viable and equitable price.
- the mobile network will be expanded to accommodate all Tasmanians where and however possible.

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The TFGA recognises that this is also the intention of the ACCC. The TFGA supports the efforts of the ACCC to improve transparency, improve information about network quality for consumers, improve effectiveness of infrastructure sharing, and ensuring that the regulatory framework promotes competition.

Please contact the TFGA if you require any further information.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peter Skillern', with a circular flourish above the name.

Peter Skillern

Chief Executive Officer

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