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Dear Kai and Jaime

## Interim Authorisation: Report of "material decisions" for week ending 31 July 2020

We are instructed that with respect to the meetings of the Special Working Group or its sub-committees (**Committees**) held last week, there is no report to give under para 3 of the Protocol of any material decision made by the Committees that falls within the Proposed Conduct.

We are instructed to provide the following update more generally:

### **Committee meeting cadence**

In light of the evolving situation in Victoria and the stay at home directions issued for metropolitan Melbourne and the Mitchell Shire, the Special Working Group Committee dealing with network matters is continuing to convene weekly for the time being.

### **All-RSP** briefing

In addition to the above Committee meeting held last week, an all-RSP briefing session on COVID-19 network related matters was held on 30 July 2020.

**nbn** encourages all RSPs to attend these briefing sessions and RSPs can get briefing invitations and information via their **nbn** account team. The agenda of this all-RSP briefing followed the same agenda as the Special Working Group Committee. RSPs were provided with information about the key matters that had been discussed by the Special Working Group Committee, including a focus on the observed increase in **nbn** network traffic associated with the stay at home directions issued in Victoria.

### Summary of matters discussed at the Committee meeting held last week

In brief, the following matters were addressed at the Committee meeting held last week:

- analysis of international data regarding upstream and downstream peak growth patterns in the United States and post-lockdown data from India;
- analysis of recent nbn network performance data, including upstream and downstream traffic and usage
  patterns, with a focus on the downstream traffic spikes observed on the preceding three Saturdays (including a
  new all-time high of 15.16Tbps observed on 25 July 2020) and the increase in traffic associated with the stay at
  home directions issued for metropolitan Melbourne and the Mitchell Shire;
- discussion of the steps certain OTT video streaming providers have taken regarding the voluntary measures they
  previously had in place and the associated change in network traffic that has been observed;
- discussion about the ongoing voluntary measures adopted by the main OTT videoconferencing providers and the most recent decision made by the SWG in this regard; and
- discussion of the process and triggers for convening a Committee meeting and requesting the main OTT providers to reinstate the voluntary bit rate reduction measures they had previously implemented.

Regards

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