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To: Regulatory
Subject: FTTN at the expense of our current network?
Hi There,

I have only just recently started researching the issue's regarding the new proposed FTTN network.

Whilst I am looking forward to many of the benefits FTTN provides I am dreadfully concerned at the proposition that it will come at the cost of our existing ADSL infrastructure - especially when there is no need.

I am concerned that we will find ourselves in a monopoly at the hands of profit driven retail prices without any competition. After research I have found that there are actually no technical reasons as to why FTTN and ADSL cannot both exist.

Leaving the existing ADSL infrastructure in place will help keep in check new FTTN prices and provide competition in the market.

I am also concerned for those ISP's currently promoting competition and innovation in the ADSL Broadband market today. What is to become of companies such as Internode, iiNet and Optus who have invested millions into creating their own ADSL2 networks? With they simply be cut off and left to try and repay their debts?

Again, I would like to stress the point that FTTN does not need to come at the cost of our existing Broadband network. Just as dial-up gave a tie over to ADSL. ADSL can be an alternative to FTTN.

Thankyou for your time.

Cheers,
Brad