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AAPT confirms aggregator role with National Broadband Network



Sydney Friday July 1 – AAPT has today announced it is a network-certified NBN aggregator and one of 12 Retail Service Providers who will deliver services over the new National Broadband Network.

The certification was granted by the NBN after AAPT passed extensive laboratory testing, demonstrating the capability and reliability of its network.

AAPT CEO David Yuile, who has been in negotiations with the NBN for some months, said the deal would offer AAPT another high-speed, high performance network which will enable it to provide its customers with more options for voice, data and internet solutions tailored to their individual needs.

“We are Australia’s largest business-only telecommunications provider and we pride ourselves on being independent, flexible and competitive,” Yuile said. “The key point of difference is our ability to work with our clients and provide regular touch points with Senior Managers.

“We will provide our customers’ businesses with seamless solutions across multiple access networks, including the NBN,” he said.

AAPT is well positioned to support its customers, with more than 350 DSL exchanges, 180 Mid-Band enabled exchanges and fibre to approximately 1300 buildings throughout metropolitan areas, as the NBN is progressively rolled out.

Its extensive network, encompassing more than 11,000kms of owned and managed fibre paths, will also be utilised to manage backhaul services across the NBN’s 121 Points of Interconnect (POI).

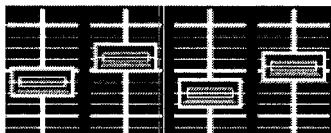
Yuile said AAPT would also leverage its position within the NBN to grow its existing product portfolio, with further expansion into services such as converged communications and cloud solutions.

AAPT will roll out its trials across the NBN first release sites including:

- A part of the suburb of Brunswick in Melbourne
- An area of Townsville covering parts of the suburbs of Aitkenvale and Mundingburra.
- The coastal communities of Minnamurra and Kiama Downs south of Wollongong.
- An area of west Armidale, NSW, including the University of New England.
- The rural town of Willunga in South Australia.

“With an extensive and flexible infrastructure already in place, our aim is to be the easiest network service provider in Australia to deal with,” Yuile said.

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