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Submission to Domestic Mobile Roaming Declaration Inquiry

I am writing on behalf of the NSW Government about the ACCC's Draft Decision for the domestic mobile roaming declaration inquiry.

The NSW Government supports the Draft Decision proposing not to declare a domestic mobile roaming service. The current approach of national uniform pricing benefits regional NSW customers and should be retained.

Declaring a domestic mobile roaming service may constrain further infrastructure investment that would extend coverage to a wider population at a time when geographic coverage remains a significant challenge for some regional NSW communities.

The NSW Government is committed to providing greater mobile coverage to people living in regional NSW through the Mobile Black Spot Program, with \$39 million committed over the first two rounds of the Australian Government program. The investment by both governments will deliver at least 183 new or upgraded mobile base stations, improving coverage of high quality mobile voice and wireless broadband services in rural and regional NSW.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide the NSW Government's views on this matter.

Yours sincerely

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