SUMMARY

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REPODUCTION

Mobile telecommunications plays a central role in society and is becoming increasingly integrated into our day-to-day lives. It shapes how people communicate, access information and complete daily tasks. Individuals, families, businesses and society are all benefiting from the improved connectivity facilitated by mobile technologies. In addition to its personal and social value, the evolution of mobile technologies has delivered significant benefits to the Australian economy by improving productivity, business management and customer engagement.

As such, the demand for effective telecommunications services and infrastructure has increased considerably. An increasing number of people are demanding more mobile services from more locations nationwide. People are also demanding for coverage to be uninterrupted while they move around the country.

To cater for the growing demand for mobile services, Optus has embarked on a nationwide rollout to deliver an improved, reliable telecommunications network to the Australian public. The rollout will provide improved mobile coverage and enhanced services in metropolitan, regional and rural-areas throughout Australia. This rollout consists of the upgrade of existing telecommunications facilities and where required the installation of new mobile base station's to expand the coverage footprint and offer seamless mobile services.

BACKGROUND

What is a mobile base station and how do they work?

A mobile base station is a facility that provides mobile coverage to a geographical area. A mobile phone network is made up of base stations which operate together to provide service to users moving from place to place within a coverage area. A mobile base station typically consists of the following components: antennas, support structure, base station and transmission equipment. The antennas are connected by cable to radio equipment usually housed in a room, shelter or outdoor unit. Base stations are connected to the core network by microwave or fibre.

Mobile phones work by sending and receiving low power radio signals, much like a 2 way radio system. The signals are sent to and received from antennas that are attached to radio transmitters and receivers, commonly referred to as mobile phone base stations. The base stations are linked to the rest of the mobile and fixed phone network and pass the signal/call on into those networks.

Purpose of the proposal

Additional mobile base stations are required where surrounding facilities cannot provide sufficient coverage to a target area due to distance limitations. New facilities are also required when existing base stations are fully utilised and cannot serve further users in the area.

Optus has undertaken analysis of their mobile network in Boyup Brook and surrounding suburbs, identifying areas where coverage and network quality needs to be improved. If this investment is not made, two main issues will arise:

- 1. Users may have difficulty connecting to the mobile network or the call may drop out. This impacts businesses, residents and visitors to the area and the ability of users to contact emergency services.
- 2. Users may experience reduced data speeds, longer download times and poor network performance at busy times of the day with data intensive and time sensitive applications (e.g. newscasts, social media, mobile banking, weather forecasts, sports highlights etc.) due to the available capacity being shared across too many customers.

Once Optus identified the need for improved network performance, the optimisation of existing Optus facilities throughout the region was explored and undertaken where required. In some cases, this option resolves network deficiencies in an area. However, in this situation the optimisation of surrounding facilities has not been able to achieve a satisfactory outcome for the network within, and surrounding, Boyup Brook.

Optus has undertaken investigations into the use of other carrier and broadcast facilities within the area. However, in this case existing facilities were not deemed as suitable. As such it was concluded that the deployment of a new Optus mobile base station within Boyup Brook is the only viable solution.

PROPOSAL SUMMARY

In general terms, the proposed development will comprise the installation of new 60m mast with associated support wires, antennas and equipment housing sited on the ground. The proposed facility is located in a large rural paddock adjacent to an existing Telstra mast. The location for the facility is at a hilltop and approximately 800m from the nearest road. Existing tall trees and shrubs are scattered throughout the paddock.

A map of the property and surrounding area is provided in the figure following:









