

NBN Co set to relaunch HFC - blueAPACHE

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Details:

From 27 April 2018, NBN Co will begin relaunching a phased restart of wholesale HFC Services to retailers nearly after five months of the temporary pause on all new orders over its hybrid fibre-coaxial (HFC) access network to fix technical issues. This is following the launch of fibre-to-the-curb (FTTC), as the company plans to initially release 1000 premises in its HFC access network footprint in Melbourne and Sydney, with another 38,000 to be released in June in selected areas across Brisbane, Gold Coast, Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth.

"We are pleased with the improvements seen from the additional work undertaken while sales have been paused on the HFC network," said NBN Co chief executive, Bill Marrow.

NBN Co further expects the release of HFC Premises to be further forecasted to hit around 100,000 premises per month. The company has also announced that about 440,000 homes and businesses around Australia will be covered by the FTTC, increasing the FTTC footprint to reach approximately 1.5 million homes and businesses.

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When was NBN Co planning to restart wholesale HFC services?

The article dated 10 April 2018 reported a planned phased restart of wholesale HFC (hybrid fibre-coaxial) services from 27 April 2018, following a temporary pause on new orders to address technical issues.

How many premises were initially released in the HFC network restart, and where?

NBN Co initially planned to release 1,000 premises in its HFC access network footprint in Melbourne and Sydney.

How many additional HFC premises were planned for release in June 2018, and in which cities?

Another 38,000 premises were set to be released in June 2018 in selected areas across Brisbane, Gold Coast, Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth.

What monthly release rate did NBN Co expect for HFC premises going forward?

NBN Co expected the release of HFC premises to be forecasted to hit around 100,000 premises per month.

What did NBN Co CEO Bill Marrow say about the pause in HFC sales?

NBN Co chief executive Bill Marrow said, "We are pleased with the improvements seen from the additional work undertaken while sales have been paused on the HFC network."

What long-term connection goal did Bill Marrow mention for NBN Co's build?

Bill Marrow said NBN Co remained confident of reaching its goal of completing the build and connecting eight million Australian premises by 2020.

How did Bill Marrow describe NBN Co's approach to technology in the network build?

Marrow said, "The team remains at the forefront of technology developments and continues to innovate to bring the best network to all Australians, as quickly and affordably as possible. The flexibility of the multi-technology mix allows us to choose the right technology for each area and deliver the project on time and on budget."