

To the Standing Committee on Broadband in Rural and Regional Communities,

I live in Goulburn, NSW, a city of 23 000 people but I cannot get ADSL (let alone ADSL 2) broadband.

I am told that ADSL is available in my area but when it comes down to it, no-one can connect me because there are not enough points of connection for everyone.

That leaves us with slow, unreliable mobile broadband or expensive satellite broadband.

Tonight TPG advertised 120GB ADSL2 for \$50 per month. For that price we might be able to get 12GB but I expect it would be less reliable and a lot slower.

The gap between city and rural services is just too big.

The internet has the potential to bring city education and expertise to rural Australians but we can't get it!

So the gap just gets wider.

Please, do something.

Sincerely

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