



### 3 Corrections to transcript of Public Hearing

We note the following minor corrections to the transcript of the Public Hearing.

Uncorrected Transcript from Tuesday 14 June 2022, p.42, fourth entry for Mr Peter Sutherland:

- **PETER SUTHERLAND:** The nature of the network—not all of those sites were flooded. A lot of those sites failed due to power and due to loss of fibre optic cable back **wall haul**, which is critical to maintain the networks; that's what connects the networks through. If that cable gets broken, then you might **have** a single cable break might affect several base stations. We had 17 mobile sites that were inundated with water, not 124.

As we noted at the very end of section 2.4 of this submission, we also need to make a minor correction to a statement made at the hearing to ensure it is factually correct. At the hearing, Mr Sutherland noted *"We had 35 fibre optic cable breaks across the region, and those 35 fibre optic cable breaks, along with loss of power, is what led to the vast majority of outages."*<sup>29</sup> Mr Sutherland was quoting this figure from memory, and in fact the correct number of fibre optic cable breaks across the region was 34.

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<sup>29</sup> Uncorrected Transcript, p.42, sixth entry for Peter Sutherland.