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On 12 November 2019, “BIFMA” (a pseudonym, and **the Applicant**) made a request under the *Freedom of Information Act, 1982* (**the FOI Act or the Act**), seeking the following:

“Can you please advise how many premises are mapped for a Skymuster connection (as at 12/11/2019) within a 25km radius of the GPO in each Capital City for each State? (NT & ACT are excluded from this request). Please breakdown the number of premises by each City. Eg; Sydney: ###, Melbourne: ###, Brisbane: ###, Perth: ###, Adelaide: ###, Hobart: ###.”

Under the Act, FOI applicants have a right to seek documents, rather than information or datasets. However, section 17 of the FOI Act also permits FOI agencies to draw information from computers or other equipment and to collate that information into a document, which had previously not existed (**the Requested Document**). nbn’s FOI Officer determined to release the Requested Document to the Applicant.

It is important to note that distance from a capital city’s GPO is not necessarily an indicative measure of whether a given premises can expect to be connected to the nbn™ network via satellite vs. fixed line or fixed wireless services. It is nbn’s practice to deploy Sky Muster™ satellite services where providing fixed line or fixed wireless connections to that area would be unworkable.

General Post Office (GPO)	nbn satellite services within 25km of capital cities’ GPOs at 12 Nov/2019
Adelaide GPO	462
Brisbane GPO	103
Hobart GPO	264
Melbourne GPO	61
Perth GPO	115
Sydney GPO	28
Grand Total	1033