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Plans for infrastructure competition: how long must we wait for service roll-out?

Demand aggregation: Is it more than a nice idea?

Is this role too complex for governments?

Is tendering too blunt an instrument?



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- Early stages of accelerating uptake
- Federal government responsibility
- Economic and social benefits
- Issues of availability and affordability
- Sustainability

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The Labor Government will develop a Broadband Framework to:

- Ensure that the Victorian Government meets its broadband requirements in a strategic manner
- That will also facilitate the delivery of enhanced telecommunications infrastructure, greater take up, more competition and lower prices for business and the community

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- State can take strategic initiatives to effect market development
- Funding – innovative use, technology and business models, demand aggregation
- Lever procurement & innovation

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- Major user of data networks - \$40m pa
- Demand expected to increase several times over to 2010
- Current telecoms spend is up to \$200m per annum - 55% inner budget

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