National Assembly for Wales Economy, Infrastructure and Skills Committee

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Dear Kim,

Thank you for your letter dated 20 February responding to the Economy, Infrastructure and Skills Committee's action points raised at our meeting on the 25 January. The Committee has discussed your response and would like you to kindly expand on the answers you provided.

At the meeting, we asked what number of premises connected with Fibre-to-the-Premises technology under Superfast Cymru are accessing superfast services from a provider other than BT. In your reply you mention that FTTP is regulated and open to all providers to use at the same wholesale cost. You included a link to FTTP with a **Fibre FAQ** which quotes; 'we've already given more than 27.4 million homes and business premises access to fibre broadband, and we're adding around 28,400 each week'. However, it is not clear from your response how many premises connected with FTTP under Superfast Cymru are accessing services from a provider other than BT. Could you clarify, please?



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I look forward to receiving this further information.

Yours sincerely,

Russell George AM Chair Economy, Infrastructure and Skills Committee

