

## Customer Service Guarantee Exemption Advice – 20240223-QLD-E-C-I-NORTH TROPICAL COAST AND TABLELANDS DISTRICTS EXT

We've previously advised of an interruption to Telstra's normal operations. North Tropical Coast, Upper Flinders and Tablelands regions for Queensland were impacted by severe thunderstorms resulting in heavy rainfall, localised flooding and road closures between 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2024 to 28<sup>th</sup> February 2024.

We are continuing to experience ongoing delays in installation and repair activities due to this event. We estimate that as many as 166 Telstra services may be impacted.

Services in the area mentioned above with phone numbers in the following number ranges may have been affected:

- 07 4030 0000                      **To**      07 4099 9999
- 07 4213 2000                      **To**      07 4213 9999
- 07 4232 1000                      **To**      07 4232 9999

### How will this affect you?

We anticipate that most services will be restored by 30<sup>th</sup> April 2024. We're sorry for any inconvenience this delay may cause but we can assure you we are working hard to get things back on track.

In the event this timeframe is extended, a revised notification will be provided.

### What else do you need to know?

Due to the extreme weather conditions, we're claiming an exemption under section 24 of the Telecommunications (Customer Service Guarantee) Standard 2023, including an exemption from the payment of compensation between 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2024 to 30<sup>th</sup> April 2024 inclusive for any delays in fixing or connecting services, and the keeping of appointments relating to these activities in the impacted area.

The exemption process is explained in sections 24–30 of the *Telecommunications (Customer Service Guarantee) Standard 2023*, which can be found on the [Australian Government, Federal Register of Legislation](#) website.

### What's next?

You don't need to do anything. We're doing all we can to return to normal operating standards.

To request a copy of the CSG exemption notice, or, for any questions about your service, the CSG exemption, or to ask us to reconsider whether the circumstances are a proper basis for claiming the exemption, please call 132200.

To report a service disruption or fault, please call 132203.

If you're not satisfied with this exemption or our approach to your request, you can contact the Telecommunications Industry Ombudsman.