Customer Service Guarantee Exemption Advice – 20250128-QLD-E-C-I-NORTHERN TROPICS DISTRICTS EXT

We've previously advised of an interruption to Telstra's normal operations, due parts of North Tropical and Tablelands, Goldfields Herbert and Lower Burdekin, Central Coast and Whitsundays Regions for Queensland were impacted by an extreme tropical low resulting in heavy rainfall exceeding the 10 Year average, cloud to ground lightning strikes, flash flooding and road closures between 28th January 2025 to 1st February 2025.

We are continuing to experience ongoing delays in installation and repair activities due to this event We estimate that as many as 336 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 4212 8000	To	07 4216 9999
•	07 4232 1000	To	07 4232 9999
•	07 4245 8000	To	07 4258 8999
•	07 4280 5000	To	07 4281 9999
•	07 4299 0000	To	07 4299 8999
•	07 4409 9000	To	07 4448 1999
•	07 4720 0000	To	07 4729 9999
•	07 4741 0000	To	07 4799 9999
•	07 4840 0000	To	07 4847 8999
•	07 4859 2000	To	07 4864 3999
•	07 4880 8000	To	07 4898 7999
•	07 4940 0000	To	07 4969 9999
•	07 4998 5000	To	07 4998 9999

How will this affect you?

We anticipate that most services will be restored by 11th April 2025. 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 28th January 2025 to 11th April 2025 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 <u>Australian Government</u>, <u>Federal Register of Legislation</u> 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.