Customer Service Guarantee Exemption Advice – 20250214-WA-S-B-I-PIBARA AND KIMBERLEY REGION

The Broome Town, Broome Derby Remote, Port Hedland, Hedland Remote, Karratha, Karratha Remote and Carnarvon Remote Regions for Western Australia were impacted by the Severe Tropical Cyclone Zelia resulting in gale force winds, severe heavy rainfall, localised flooding and road closures between 14th February 2025 to 17th February 2025.

An interruption to Telstra's normal operations has occurred leading to delays in installation and repair activities. We estimate that as many as 52 Telstra services may be impacted.

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

•	08 5125 4000	To	08 5125 6999
•	08 9126 8000	To	08 9198 8999
•	08 9921 4800	To	08 9921 7499
•	08 9933 1000	To	08 9964 1899

How will this affect you?

We anticipate that most services will be restored by 24th March 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 this event, 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 14th February 2025 to 24th March 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.