Implementation Plan 2011-12 Northern Territory

CLOSING THE GAP: NATIONAL PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT ON REMOTE INDIGENOUS PUBLIC INTERNET ACCESS

PART 1 - FORMALITIES

Preliminaries

- 1. This Implementation Plan has been developed to facilitate implementation of Closing the Gap: the National Partnership Agreement on Remote Indigenous Public Internet Access (the Agreement).
- 2. Agreement to the Implementation Plan fulfils the requirement under Part 4 of the Agreement to jointly develop and agree an annual Implementation Plan to achieve the objectives of the Agreement.

Parties

3. The Implementation Plan has been agreed bilaterally between the Commonwealth of Australia represented by the Minister for Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy and the Northern Territory, represented by the Northern Territory Minister for Information, Communications and Technology Policy.

Term of the Implementation Plan

- 4. The Implementation Plan will commence when both Parties agree in writing to the Plan and will expire on the later of 30 June 2012, or on completion of projects specified in this Implementation Plan, including the acceptance of final performance reporting.
- 5. In accordance with paragraph 26 of the Agreement, amendments to the Plan can be requested at any time to accommodate emerging issues. These amendments will need to be agreed in writing bilaterally with the Commonwealth.
- 6. The Parties to this Implementation Plan do not intend any of the provisions to be legally enforceable. However, that does not lessen the Parties' commitment to this Implementation Plan.

Project objective

- 7. Through this Implementation Plan, the Parties seek:
 - (a) enhanced social inclusion and community well-being in remote Indigenous communities by improving links between people, information and technology;
 - improved access for Indigenous Australians in remote Indigenous communities to basic information and communication services required for participation in contemporary Australian economic, political and social life;

- (c) reduced barriers to the use of information and communication technology in remote Indigenous communities; and
- (d) better understanding of the benefits of the effective use of the internet and associated hardware and software in remote Indigenous communities.

Role of the Commonwealth

8. The Commonwealth is responsible for reviewing the performance of the Northern Territory against the project benchmarks specified in this Implementation Plan.

Role of the State/Territory

- 9. The Northern Territory Government is responsible for all aspects of project implementation, including:
 - (a) fully funding the project, after accounting for financial contributions from the Commonwealth and any third party;
 - (b) completing the project in a timely and professional manner in accordance with this Implementation Plan; and
 - (c) meeting all conditions including providing reports in accordance with this Implementation Plan.

PART 2 - IMPLEMENTATION DETAIL

Target communities

10. The following remote Indigenous communities will be targeted to receive expanded or upgraded public internet access facilities, maintenance and/or training services under this Agreement:

	Community name	Pop.	Latitude	Longitude	Existing public internet access*	Services [†]
1	Angurugu	890	-14.1359	136.5675	NPA 2009-10	2,3
2	Anmatjere	191	-22.13	133.4167	NPA 2009-10	2,3
3	Barunga	570	-14.7046	132.9855	NPA 2009-10	2,3
4	Elliott	650	-17.7087	133.5744	NPA 2009-10	2,3
5	Galiwinku	1687	-12.225	135.725	NPA 2009-10	2,3
6	Hermannsburg	650	-23.9333	132.7667	NPA 2009-10	2,3
7	Lajamanu	1130	-18.47	130.677	NPA 2009-10	2,3
8	Milikapiti	484	-11.4194	130.6727	NPA 2009-10	2,3,#
9	Milingimbi	850	-12.2593	135.0213	NPA 2009-10	2,3
10	Minyerri	410	-15.5118	134.2051	NPA 2009-10	2,3

	Community name	Pop.	Latitude	Longitude	Existing public internet access*	Services [†]
11	Ngukurr	1495	-14.9633	134.8061	NPA 2009-10	2,3
12	Peppimenarti	244	-14.4439	130.0846	NPA 2009-10	2,3,# refers to carryover of trg only
13	Pirlangimpi	345	-11.5122	130.5503	NPA 2009-10	2,3
14	Ramingining	802	-12.5098	135.1048	NPA 2009-10	2,3
15	Santa Teresa	600	-24.2191	134.4068	NPA 2009-10	2,3
16	Umbakumba	476	-13.9781	136.8743	NPA 2009-10	2,3
17	Wadeye	2215	-14.4214	129.679	NPA 2009-10	2,3
18	Wallace Rockhole	160	-24.2883	132.9649	NPA 2009-10	2,3,#
19	Yirrkala	900	-12.4701	136.9738	NPA 2009-10	2,3
20	Ali Curung	440	-21.0033	134.4069	NPA 2010-11	2,3
21	Alpurrurulam	740	-20.9841	137.8474	NPA 2010-11	2,3
22	Aputula	240	25.5821	134.5779	NPA 2010-11	2,3
23	Areyonga	245	-24.0736	132.27083	NPA 2010-11	2,3,#
24	Belyuen	237	-12.5386	130.6999	NPA 2010-11	2,3,# refers to carryover of trg only
25	Borroloola	772	-16.0694	136.3125	NPA 2010-11	2,3
26	Daguragu	752	-17.4005	130.8049	NPA 2010-11	2,3
27	Gapuwiyak	1208	-12.5032	135.8058	NPA 2010-11	2,3
28	Gunbalanya	1486	-12.324	133.056	NPA 2010-11	2,3
29	Haasts Bluff	165	-23.4473	131.8812	NPA 2010-11	2,3,#
30	Harts Range	247	-22.9787	134.9173	NPA 2010-11	2,3,#
31	Kalkaringi	258	-17.4467	130.8321	NPA 2010-11	2,3
32	Kaltukatjara	311	-24.8774	129.096	NPA 2010-11	2,3
33	Maningrida	2746	-12.0508	134.2236	NPA 2010-11	2,3
34	Mount Liebig	252	-23.266	131.2731	NPA 2010-11	2,3,#
35	Nguiu	1582	-11.7583	130.6374	NPA 2010-11	2,3,#

	Community name	Pop.	Latitude	Longitude	Existing public internet access*	Services [†]
36	Numbulwar	1217	-14.2791	135.7406	NPA 2010-11	2,3
37	Papunya	342	-23.203	131.9111	NPA 2010-11	2,3
38	Walungurru	350	-23.2759	129.3872	NPA 2010-11	2,3
39	Willowra	300	-21.14	132.36	NPA 2010-11	2,3,#
40	Yuendumu	1000	-22.2538	131.7952	NPA 2010-11	2,3,#

^{*} Nil; Limited; NPA 2009-10 or 2010-11 (year internet access provided under the Agreement)

Mode of service delivery

11. In accordance with Output 1 of the Agreement expanded or upgraded public internet access facilities will be delivered to the following communities listed at item 10 (these communities received public internet access facilities in 2009-10 or 2010-11):

Site No.	Community name	Description of internet access facilities	\$
		Not Applicable	
		Total funding for internet access	\$000,000

12. In accordance with Output 2 of the Agreement, maintenance services will be delivered to the following communities listed at item 10 (these communities received public internet access facilities in 2009-10 or 2010-11):

[†] 1. Expand/upgrade internet access (in a location that previously received internet access under the Agreement)

^{2.} Maintenance (in a location that previously received internet access under the Agreement)

^{3.} Training

^{#.} Incomplete activity carried over from 2010-11 Implementation Plan

	Community name	Description of maintenance services	Funding	
1	Angurugu	Maintain internet enabled PC with connection in local facility.	\$6,459	
		For all communities listed this will:-		
		 Provide a facility to increase public access to online resources. 		
		 Increase awareness of the benefits and uses of Library online resources through the associated training. 		
		 Facilitate transactions and communication with families, communities, government agencies and businesses. 		
		Provide the means and knowledge to use information technology to achieve these goals. Delivery: Sep 2011		
2	Anmatjere	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Sep 2011	\$6,459	
3	Barunga	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Sep 2011	\$6,459	
4	Elliott	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Sep 2011	\$6,459	
5	Galiwinku	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Oct 2011	\$6,459	
6	Hermannsburg	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Oct 2011	\$6,459	
7	Lajamanu	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Oct 2011	\$6,459	
8	Milikapiti	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Oct 2011	\$0 (\$6,944 carried forward from 2010-11)	
9	Milingimbi	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Nov 2011	\$6,459	
10	Minyerri	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Nov 2011	\$6,459	
11	Ngukurr	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Nov 2011	\$6,459	
12	Peppimenarti	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Nov 2011	\$6,459	
13	Pirlangimpi	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Dec 2011	\$6,459	
14	Ramingining	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Dec 2011	\$6,459	
15	Santa Teresa	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Dec 2011	\$6,459	
16	Umbakumba	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Dec 2011		
17	Wadeye	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Jan 2012		
18	Wallace Rockhole	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Jan 2012 \$0 (\$5,0 forward from		
19	Yirrkala	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Jan 2012	\$6,459	

	Community name	Description of maintenance services	Funding	
20	Ali Curung	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Jan 2012	\$6,459	
21	Alpurrurulam	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Feb 2012	\$6,459	
22	Aputula	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Feb 2012	\$6,459	
23	Areyonga	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Feb 2012	\$0 (\$9,920 carried forward from 2010-11)	
24	Belyuen	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Feb 2012	\$6,459	
25	Borroloola	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Mar 2012	\$6,459	
26	Daguragu	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Mar 2012	\$6,459	
27	Gapuwiyak	As per 1 - Angurugu Delivery: Mar 2012	\$6,459	
28	Gunbalanya	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Mar 2012		
29	Haasts Bluff	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Apr 2012 \$0 (\$9, forward fro		
30	Harts Range	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Apr 2012	\$0 (\$9,920 carried forward from 2010-11)	
31	Kalkaringi	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Apr 2012	\$6,459	
32	Kaltukatjara	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Apr 2012	\$6,459	
33	Maningrida	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: May 2012	\$6,459	
34	Mount Liebig	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: May 2012	\$0 (\$9,920 carried forward from 2010-11)	
35	Nguiu	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: May 2012	\$0 (\$9,920 carried forward from 2010-11)	
36	Numbulwar	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: May 2012	\$6,459	
37	Papunya	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Jun 2012	\$6,459	
38	Walungurru	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Jun 2012		
39	Willowra	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Jun 2012 \$0 (\$9,920 of forward from 20		
40	Yuendumu	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Jun 2012	\$0 (\$9,920 carried forward from 2010-11)	
		Total funding for maintenance services	\$200,229	

^{13.} In accordance with Output 3 of the Agreement, training services will be delivered to the following communities listed at item 10:

	Community name	Description and intended benefits of training services	Trainees	Funding
1	Angurugu	Provide train the trainer skills to library staff to pass on to community members. Utilise local cultural digital resources and relevant library online resources to increase community members' familiarity with the Internet. This training will then be passed on through an eLearning framework to individual community members. Delivery: Sep 2011	2 Train the Trainers 10 Community Members	\$16,552
2	Anmatjere	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Sep 2011	2 - 10	\$16,552
3	Barunga	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Sep 2011	2 - 10	\$16,552
4	Elliott	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Sep 2011	2 - 10	\$16,552
5	Galiwinku	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Oct 2011	2 - 10	\$16,552
6	Hermannsburg	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Oct 2011	2 - 10	\$16,552
7	Lajamanu	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Oct 2011	2 - 10	\$16,552
8	Milikapiti	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Oct 2011	2 - 10	\$0 (\$12,000 carried forward from 2010-11)
9	Milingimbi	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Nov 2011	2 - 10	\$16,552
10	Minyerri	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Nov 2011	gu Delivery: Nov 2011 2 - 10	
11	Ngukurr	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Nov 2011	2 - 10	\$16,552
12	Peppimenarti	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Nov 2011	2 - 10	\$0 (\$12,000 carried forward from 2010-11)
13	Pirlangimpi	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Dec 2011	2 - 10	\$16,552
14	Ramingining	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Dec 2011	2 - 10	\$16,552
15	Santa Teresa	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Dec 2011	2 - 10	\$16,552
16	Umbakumba	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Dec 2011	2 - 10	\$16,552
17	Wadeye	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Jan 2012	2 - 10 \$16,552	
18	Wallace Rockhole	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Jan 2012	2 - 10	\$0 (\$12,000 carried forward from 2010-11)
19	Yirrkala	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Jan 2012	2 - 10	\$16,552
20	Ali Curung	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Jan 2012	2 - 10	\$16,552

	Community name	Description and intended benefits of training services	Trainees	Funding
21	Alpurrurulam	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Feb 2012	2 - 10	\$16,552
22	Aputula	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Feb 2012	2 - 10	\$16,552
23	Areyonga	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Feb 2012	2 - 10	\$0 (\$12,000 carried forward from 2010-11)
24	Belyuen	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Feb 2012	2 - 10	\$0 (\$12,000 carried forward from 2010-11)
25	Borroloola	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Mar 2012	2 - 10	\$16,552
26	Daguragu	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Mar 2012	2 - 10	\$16,552
27	Gapuwiyak	As per 1 - Angurugu Delivery: Mar 2012	2 - 10	\$16,552
28	Gunbalanya	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Mar 2012	2 - 10	\$16,552
29	Haasts Bluff	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Apr 2012	2 - 10	\$0 (\$12,000 carried forward from 2010-11)
30	Harts Range	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Apr 2012	2 - 10	\$0 (\$12,000 carried forward from 2010-11)
31	Kalkaringi	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Apr 2012	2 - 10	\$16,552
32	Kaltukatjara	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Apr 2012	2 - 10	\$16,552
33	Maningrida	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: May 2012	2 - 10	\$16,552
34	Mount Liebig	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: May 2012	2 - 10	\$0 (\$12,000 carried forward from 2010-11)
35	Nguiu	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: May 2012	2 - 10	\$0 (\$12,000 carried forward from 2010-11)
36	Numbulwar	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: May 2012	2 - 10	\$16,552
37	Papunya	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Jun 2012	2 - 10	\$16,552
38	Walungurru	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Jun 2012	2 - 10	\$16,552
39	Willowra	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Jun 2012	2 - 10	\$0 (\$12,000 carried forward from

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	Community name	Description and intended benefits of training services	Trainees	Funding
				2010-11)
40	Yuendumu	As per 1 – Angurugu Delivery: Jun 2012	2 - 10	\$0 (\$12,000 carried forward from 2010-11)
		Totals for training services	480	\$480,000

Performance benchmarks, timelines and reporting

14. The Northern Territory agrees to meet the following performance benchmarks:

Performance indicator	Benchmark
A reduction in the number of remote Indigenous communities that have limited or no public internet access.	New public internet access facilities provided to seven communities that did not receive facilities in 2010-11 and carried over to 2011-12 Implementation Plan. Expanded/upgraded public internet access facilities provided to two communities that did not receive facilities in 2010-11 and carried over to 2011-12 Implementation Plan. Maintenance services to 31 of the 40 communities that received facilities in 2009-10 and 2010-11. Maintenance services provided to nine of the communities that did not receive service in 2010-11 and carried over to 2011-12 Implementation Plan. New or expanded/ upgraded public internet access to 90% of the approved communities. Benchmark is 36 of 40 communities.
An increased number of people in remote Indigenous communities that have received training in information technology and internet use.	Training in information technology and internet use to be delivered to 11 communities that did not receive training in 2010-11 and carried over to the 2011-12 Implementation Plan. Training in information technology and internet use to be delivered to 19 communities that did not receive facilities in 2010-11 and carried over to 2011-12 Implementation Plan. Training in information technology and internet use to 90 per cent of the approved communities Benchmark is 36 of 40 communities. Training received by 90 per cent of agreed participants. Benchmark is 432 of 480 participants.
An increase in transactions and communication between remote Indigenous communities and government agencies, businesses, communities and families.	All communities receiving new or expanded public internet access have internet facilities in use.

- 15. The Agreement at paragraph 27 requires that the States and the Northern Territory will report on a six monthly basis to the Commonwealth.
- 16. In fulfilment of the first six monthly reporting requirements, the Northern Territory will hold a meeting with the Commonwealth by 28 February 2012 at which a mid-year report will be delivered. The mid-year report will contain:
 - (a) a progress report on delivering the services described at items 11,12 and 13 for each community listed;

- (b) a forecast of anticipated achievements by the expiration of the Implementation Plan;
- (c) an assessment of emerging issues and risks; and
- (d) an update on other matters relevant to the Implementation Plan and/or the Agreement as requested by the Commonwealth.
- 17. An annual written report will be submitted to the Commonwealth by 30 June 2012. This report will include at a minimum:
 - (a) a summary statement of expenditure of funding received under the Agreement for each community listed at item 10;
 - (b) a statement of achievements against each of the outputs specified in the Agreement;
 - (c) a statement of achievements against each of the outcomes specified in the Agreement;
 - (d) a statement of achievements against each performance indicator and benchmark specified at item 14 above; and
 - (e) a summary table of achievements against each community's proposed services specified at items 11, 12 and 13.

Promotion, acknowledgment and publicity

18. The Parties will reach prior agreement on the nature and content of any events, announcements, promotional material or publicity relating to activity under this Implementation Plan, and how the roles and contributions of the Parties will be acknowledged and recognised appropriately.

PART 3 - FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

Funding

19. The maximum amount of funding available from the Commonwealth for the Northern Territory in 2011-12 will be \$680,229.

Payment schedule

20. The Commonwealth will make payments to the Northern Territory according to the following schedule, having regard to achievement of previous performance benchmarks and reporting requirements:

Date	Amount	Comments
3 May 2012	\$680,229	In determining subsequent Implementation Plans and payments, the Commonwealth will have regard to achievement of previous benchmarks and reporting requirements.

21. Any Commonwealth financial contribution payable will be processed by the Commonwealth Treasury and paid to the State Treasury in accordance with the payment arrangements set out in Schedule D of the Intergovernmental Agreement on Federal Financial Relations.

Payment Summary

22. The following table illustrates the allocations to each of the outputs in the Agreement.

Output	Amount
Output 1	nil
Output 2	\$200,229
Output 3	\$480,000
Total	\$680,229

23. Total annual funding will be paid in advance following agreement to the 2011-12 Implementation Plan.