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### **Telco positions escape 457 visa axing**

Telecommunications jobs have largely been unaffected by the scrapping of the 457 visa skilled migration program announced this week by Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull.

### **NBN Co joins global cable tech group CableLabs**

NBN Co has joined the global cable research and development body CableLabs, becoming the first cable network operator in the Oceania region to be admitted to the not-for-profit organisation.

### **Big three share spoils of Vic rail mobile blackspots program**

The Victorian Government has vowed to fix mobile blackspots along the state's five busiest regional rail corridors by partnering with Telstra, Optus and Vodafone in an \$18 million project.

### **Spark moving from old network to next-generation IP network**

New Zealand's largest telco Spark is switching services across the country from its ageing Public Switched Telephone Network (PSTN) to a next-generation IP-based network.

### **ACCAN wants more transparency, accountability on NBN services**

The peak body representing consumer interests in telecommunications has called for greater transparency and accountability about service performance by the National Broadband Network.

## Aussie satellites blasted into space on research mission

Three Australian research satellites, including two made at the University of NSW, were launched on a resupply mission to the International Space Station in the early hours of Wednesday morning.

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