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STOCK EXCHANGE ANNOUNCEMENT

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Chorus fixed line and broadband connections at 31 March

Chorus has today released its fixed line and broadband connection numbers as at 31 March 2013.

Total fixed line connections remained largely static over the three month period since 31 December 2012, with a slight decline of 1,000 lines to a total of 1,792,000 lines. Total broadband connections increased by 17,000 to 1,093,000.

Fibre connections grew to 17,000 across Chorus' UFB and non-UFB network at the end of March. This should continue as more retail service providers begin offering residential fibre services and Chorus' fibre network footprint continues to grow. There were about 2,200 fibre connections on our UFB network at the end of March.

Chorus will next report connection numbers at its end of year results on Monday 26 August.

Fixed line connections	**31 March 2013**	**31 December 2012**
Baseband copper	1,541,000	1,559,000
UCLL	114,000	109,000
SLU/SLES	14,000	16,000
Fibre	17,000	15,000
Naked Basic/Enhanced UBA and Naked VDSL	83,000	72,000
Data services over copper	23,000	22,000
Total fixed line connections	**1,792,000**	**1,793,000**

Broadband connections	**31 March 2013**	**31 December 2012**
Basic UBA	404,000	474,000
Naked Basic UBA	10,000	9,500
Enhanced UBA	606,000	530,000
Naked Enhanced UBA	70,000	60,500
VDSL/Naked VDSL	3,000	2,000
Total broadband connections	**1,093,000**	**1,076,000**

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