

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STANDING COMMITTEE ON
AGRICULTURE AND INDUSTRY**

Inquiry into agricultural innovation

*Chair: Mr Rowan Ramsey MP
Deputy Chair: Ms Clare O'Neil MP*

Public hearing for inquiry into agricultural innovation

The House of Representatives Agriculture and Industry Committee will conduct a public hearing this Thursday for the inquiry into agricultural innovation.

Appearing at the hearing will be representatives from Telstra.

Committee Chair, Rowan Ramsey MP, said "Access to telecommunications is essential to Australian agriculture and agricultural innovation. The need for reliable access to mobile and broadband networks in rural Australia has been a recurring theme throughout this inquiry. The Committee looks forward to hearing more about the potential for our telecommunications companies to support agricultural innovation."

The hearing will be held in Committee Room 1R1, Parliament House, Canberra:

Thursday, 11 February 2016

12.15 pm (approx.)	Telstra (<i>Submission 81</i>)
1.30 pm	close

The public hearing will be webcast live at:

http://www.aph.gov.au/News_and_Events/Watch_Parliament

Further details about the inquiry, including submissions received and the terms of reference, can be obtained from the Committee's website at: www.aph.gov.au/agind.

For media comment please contact the Committee Chair, Mr Rowan Ramsey, on (02) 6277 4967 (Parliament House) and (08) 8645 4255.

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