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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STANDING COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, RESOURCES, FISHERIES AND FORESTRY

Inquiry into the Agriculture and Veterinary Chemicals Legislation Amendment Bill 2012

Chair: The Hon Dick Adams MP

Deputy Chair: Alby Schultz MP

Public hearing with Rural Industries Research and Development Corp

The House of Representatives Agriculture Committee will today hold a public hearing with the Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation (RIRDC).

“The long-term success for rural industries in Australia is dependent on innovation and the ability to capitalise on research and development opportunities,” Chair Dick Adams MP said.

The corporation was established to work with industry to invest in research and development for a more profitable, sustainable and dynamic rural sector.

RIRDC’s investments are guided by the National and Rural Research Priorities of the Australian Government provide an overarching framework for public investment in rural research and development.

“Today’s hearing will allow the Committee to hear first-hand how the Australian Government assists innovation, particularly in smaller industries, to ensure their viability and sustainability.”

PUBLIC HEARING

DATE: Wednesday 13 March 2013
TIME: 5.15pm – 6.15pm
VENUE: Committee Room 1R3, Parliament House CANBERRA

The hearing will be webcast live on: www.aph.gov.au/live

Further information about the Committee’s inquiry including a program for the public hearing is available on the Committee’s website at: www.aph.gov.au/arff

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