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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT

Inquiry into streamlining environmental regulation, 'green tape',
and one stop shops

*Chair: Alex Hawke MP
Deputy Chair: Tony Zappia MP*

'Green tape' public hearing in Melbourne

The House Environment Committee will hold a public hearing in Melbourne this Friday, 2 May, as part of its inquiry into streamlining environmental regulation, 'green tape', and one stop shops for environmental assessments and approvals.

Evidence will be heard from a range of industry organisations and environmental groups. The Committee Chair, Mr Alex Hawke MP, said "We have received some compelling submissions to the inquiry. We look forward to hearing in greater depth about the regulatory issues faced by a diverse range of groups and about what we can do to cut unnecessary green tape while still protecting our unique environment."

Details of the public hearing are as follows:

Time: 9.15 am

Date: Friday, 2 May 2014

Location: Victorian Parliament Committee Rooms, 55 St Andrews Place, Melbourne

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| 9.15 am | Queensland Gas Company |
| 9.45 am | Clean Energy Council |
| 10.30 am | Victorian National Parks Association |
| 11.00 am | Native Title Services Victoria |
| 11.30 am | Environmental Farmers Network |

The public hearing will be broadcast live at: http://www.aph.gov.au/News_and_Events/Watch_Parliament

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

For media comment: please contact the Committee Chair, Mr Alex Hawke, on (02) 9899 7211 (electorate office)

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