



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ECONOMICS,
FINANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE
Inquiry: Australia's Manufacturing Industry

MEDIA ALERT

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PUBLIC HEARING

Inquiry into the state of Australia's manufacturing base, now and beyond the resources boom

The Australian Plantation Products and Paper Industry Council (A3P) will appear before the House of Representatives Economics Committee in Canberra today for the inquiry into the state of Australia's manufactured export and import competing base, now and beyond the resources boom.

A3P's submission to the inquiry has raised issues including skills shortages in the industry, the value added nature of competing imports opposed to Australia's relatively unprocessed exports and the need for on-going investment in manufacturing innovation and capacity.

DETAILS

What: The House of Representatives Standing Committee on Economics, Finance and Public Administration will hold a public hearing in Canberra this Thursday

Where: Committee Room 2R2, Parliament House Canberra

When: 9.45 am, Thursday 12 October, 2006

Who: Australian Plantation Products and Paper Industry Council (A3P).

Media Comment: House of Representatives Standing Committee on Economics, Finance and Public Administration Deputy Chair Dr Craig Emerson MP on (07) 3288 5910 or 0418 781 386 (mobile)

Background information: Committee Secretariat on (02) 6277 4209 email efpa.reps@aph.gov.au or visit online from the Committee's website <http://www.aph.gov.au/house/committee/efpa/manufacturing/index.htm>