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**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STANDING COMMITTEE
ON AGRICULTURE, RESOURCES, FISHERIES AND FORESTRY**
Inquiry into the Australian forestry industry

*Chair: The Hon Dick Adams MP
Deputy Chair: Mr Alby Schultz MP*

The future of forestry

—Public hearings Wednesday 10 August—

A range of industry, environment, farm forestry and community groups will be giving evidence to the House of Representatives Agriculture, Resources, Fisheries and Forestry Committee about the state of the Australian forestry industry in Melbourne this Wednesday.

Representatives of numerous organisations will appear before the Committee, including from the Victorian Association of Forest Industries, Northern United Forestry Group and MyEnvironment Inc.

The public hearing will be held on **10 August 2011**, in the Legislative Council Committee Room, **Parliament House**, Melbourne, commencing at **8.45 am**.

The committee will hear from:

- VicForests (submission 110)
- Victorian Association of Forest Industries (VAFI) (submission 90)
- ForestWorks (submission 28)
- Otway Agroforestry Network & Australian Master TreeGrower Program (submission 42)
- Northern United Forestry Group (submission 40)
- Mr Andrew Lang (submission 14)
- Forest Growers' CEO Forum (submission 58)
- MyEnvironment Inc (submission 101)

The committee is keen to hear from these groups, and expects some lively discussion of a number of issues important to the future of the forestry industry. Members of the public are encouraged to attend the hearing.

PUBLIC HEARING—Melbourne, Wednesday 10 August 2011

WHERE: Legislative Council Committee Room, Parliament House, Melbourne
WHEN: Wednesday 10 August 2011, 8.45am to 4.15pm
WEBCAST: <http://webcast.aph.gov.au/livebroadcasting/>

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