

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Standing Committee on Industry and Resources Developing Australia's non-fossil fuel energy industry

MEDIA ALERT

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Chair: The Hon Geoff Prosser MP Deputy Chair: Michael Hatton MP

The strategic importance of Australia's uranium resources

Canberra public hearing, 5 September 2005

Representatives of the Minerals Council of Australia, Geoscience Australia and the Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics will attend next Monday's public hearing for a parliamentary inquiry investigating the strategic importance of Australia's uranium resources.

The House of Representatives Standing Committee on Industry and Resources is conducting hearings to gather evidence for its inquiry into the development of the non-fossil fuel energy industry in Australia. The Committee has commenced its inquiry with a case study examining Australia's uranium industry.

The third public hearing for the inquiry will be held next Monday, 5 September, in committee room 2R2 at Parliament House in Canberra.

The inquiry is examining the global demand for Australia's uranium resources, the strategic importance of these resources and the potential implications for global greenhouse gas emission reductions from the further development and export of Australia's uranium resources.

Submissions to the inquiry are available on the Committee's web site: www.aph.gov.au/house/committee/isr/uranium/subs.htm

PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULE

Venue: Committee Room 2R2, Parliament House, Canberra

9.30 am **Geoscience Australia** (submission no. 42)

10.20 am Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics

(submission no. 14)

11.00 am Minerals Council of Australia (submission no. 36)

12.00 pm Close of public hearing

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