



PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA
Environment and Planning Committee

MEDIA RELEASE

Public hearing into unconventional gas

On Wednesday 22 July, a Victorian parliamentary committee is holding a public hearing in Melbourne in relation to the inquiry into unconventional gas in Victoria. The Committee is examining the potential economic, social and environmental impacts of onshore unconventional gas development.

Chair of the Victorian Parliament's Environment and Planning Committee, Hon David Davis, said "the inquiry is an opportunity for Victorian communities to have input into the Committee's terms of reference".

"The Committee has received many submissions to date from individuals, organisations and governments.

"The Committee has previously held two days of hearings and will continue to seek community input as the inquiry progresses. This hearing in Melbourne will be an opportunity for the Committee to receive evidence from expert witnesses and peak bodies."

WHAT: Public hearing into onshore unconventional gas

WHEN: Wednesday, 22 July 2015 from 10:00 am to 3:30 pm

WHERE: Legislative Council Committee Room, Parliament House, Melbourne

WHO: Environment and Planning Committee will conduct the hearing with the following schedule:

10:00 am Melbourne Energy Institute, University of Melbourne

10:45 am Prof Peter Cook

11:30 am Department of Environment, Land, Water & Planning

12:30 pm Victorian Farmers Federation

1:15 pm Australian Petroleum Production & Exploration Association (APPEA)

2:00 pm Dr Matthew Currell, RMIT University, Hydrogeology and Environmental Engineering

2:45 pm Minerals Council of Australia

Further details can be found on the Committee's website: www.parliament.vic.gov.au/epc

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