



THE SENATE

**SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT'S  
NORTHERN AUSTRALIA AGENDA**

**Select Committee on the effectiveness of the Australian Government's Northern Australia  
agenda**

**PUBLIC HEARING  
Friday 12 March 2021**

**Rydges Southbank  
23 Palmer Street, South Townsville**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Witness</b>
8.00 am	<i>via teleconference:</i> <b>Australian Competition and Consumer Commission</b> Ms Delia Rickard, Deputy Chair Ms Sarah Proudfoot, Executive General Manager Mr Nick O'Kane, Director, Gas Transport and Storage
9.00 am	<b>Townsville Chamber of Commerce</b> Mr Ross McLennan, Chief Executive Officer  <b>Cairns Chamber of Commerce</b> Mr Matthew Tickner, Vice President  <b>Ms Margaret Shaw</b>  <b>Real Estate Institute of Queensland</b> Mr Ben Kingsberry
<b>10.00 am</b>	<b><i>Morning Tea</i></b>

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10.15 am	<p><i>via teleconference:</i>  <b>Suncorp</b>            Mr Tim Bucket, Executive General Manager, Consumer</p> <p><b>QBE</b>            Mr Phuong Ly, Chief Underwriting Officer            Ms Kate O'Loughlin, General Manager, Government Relations and Industry Affairs</p> <p><b>Allianz</b>            Mr Nicholas Scofield, Chief Corporate Affairs Officer</p> <p><b>Royal Automobile Club of Queensland</b>            Mr Craig Bainbridge, Manager, Claims Operation, Property</p> <p><b>Insurance Council of Australia</b>            Mr Andrew Hall, Chief Executive Officer</p> <p><b>Insurance Australia Group</b>            Mr Mark Leplastrier, Executive Manager, Natural Perils</p>
11.45 am	<p><i>via teleconference:</i>  <b>National Australia Bank</b>            Ms Connie Sokaris, Executive Corporate Finance</p> <p><b>Palisade Investment Partners Limited</b>            Mr Roger Lloyd, Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer            Ms Vicki Rigg, Executive Director</p>
<b>12.30 pm</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
1.30 pm	<p><b>The Local Government Association of Queensland</b> (<i>Submission 54</i>)            Mr Nathan Ruhle, Lead, Intergovernmental Relations            Cr Jenny Hill, LGAQ Board Member and Mayor of Townsville</p>
2.15 pm	<p><b>Bureau of Meteorology</b>            Mr Peter Stone, Group Executive, Business Solutions</p> <p><b>Cyclone Testing Station, James Cook University Australia</b>            Dr David Henderson, Chief Engineer            James Cook University            Mr Patrick Driscoll, Program Manager, Strata Title Inspection Program</p>
<b>3.00 pm</b>	<b>Afternoon Tea</b>
3.15 pm	<p><i>via teleconference :</i>  <b>Chamber of Commerce NT</b>            Mr Greg Ireland, Chief Executive Officer            Ms Karen Sheldon, President</p>
3.45 pm	<p><i>via teleconference:</i>  <b>Queensland Pacific Metals</b>            Dr Stephen Grocott, Chief Executive Officer            Mr John Khoo, General Manager, Corporate Development</p>
4.15 pm	<b>Adjournment</b>

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