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Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works

Chair: Senator Dean Smith

## Inquiry into the proposed OneSKY Perth Air Traffic Services Centre modernisation works

The Public Works Committee is conducting an inquiry into the proposed refurbishment of the Perth Air Traffic Services Centre (ATSC).

The ATSC at Perth Airport provides military and civilian control services. These services are managed by two separate systems, both of which require upgrading. Consequently, Airservices Australia and the Department of Defence have partnered to develop a single aviation communication and management system, OneSKY.

Airservices Australia told the Committee that refurbishment of the ATSC in Perth is planned such that it will allow the current system and the new OneSKY systems to operate in parallel over a four year period, before OneSKY is fully functional. The refurbishment will extend the life of the building for a further 20 years.

Subject to parliamentary approval the work is due to commence in 2015 and be completed in early-2016. It is estimated to cost \$23.05 million (excluding GST).

The Committee Chair, Senator Dean Smith, said the Committee will conduct public and incamera hearings for the inquiry in Perth in August 2015.

Full details on the project are available on the Committee's website: www.aph.gov.au/pwc

## Submissions to the inquiry close on 22 July 2015.

Full details of the public hearing will be available soon.

**NB** the Public Works Committee is neither involved in the tendering process nor the awarding of contracts. Enquiries on those matters should be addressed to Airservices Australia.

For interview: Contact the Chair's office on (08) 9481 0349.

For further information, including how to make a submission, the public hearing times, and copies of submissions when they become available, please visit the Committee website <a href="http://www.aph.gov.au/pwc">http://www.aph.gov.au/pwc</a> or contact the Committee Secretariat on (02) 6277 4636.

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