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### **Standing Committee on Industry, Innovation, Science and Resources**

Inquiry into how the Mining Industry can Support Businesses in Regional Economies

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## **Mining Inquiry heads to the Hunter Valley**

The Industry, Innovation, Science and Resources Committee will hold a public hearing in Singleton in the Hunter Valley on Monday, 5 November 2018 as part of its inquiry into mining sector support for regional businesses.

The Committee will meet with a diverse group of academics, community groups, local government members and business owners to discuss ways the mining industry can contribute more to the communities where resources are extracted.

Mining company Glencore, which is headquartered in the Hunter Valley, will also give evidence.

“We’re heading into the final stages of the Inquiry, so we’re really going to be pushing for answers to the big questions that have come up,” said Committee Chair, the Hon Barnaby Joyce MP.

“Questions around fair payment terms and contract provisions, local employment and apprenticeships, and whether mining companies are giving enough back to the regions.”

**Public hearing details: 9:55am to 2:00pm, Monday, 5 November 2018, Singleton Diggers, York Street, Singleton.**

The hearing will be broadcast live at [aph.gov.au/live](http://aph.gov.au/live)

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