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**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STANDING COMMITTEE
ON THE ENVIRONMENT**

Inquiry into streamlining environmental regulation, 'green tape',
and one stop shops

*Chair: Alex Hawke MP
Deputy Chair: Tony Zappia MP*

'Green tape' inquiry moves to Sydney

The House Environment Committee will hold a public hearing in Sydney this Thursday, 1 May, as part of its inquiry into streamlining environmental regulation, 'green tape', and one stop shops for environmental assessments and approvals.

Evidence will be heard from a range of industry organisations and environmental groups. Mr Alex Hawke MP, the Committee Chair, said "We have received some compelling submissions to the inquiry. We look forward to hearing in greater depth about the regulatory issues faced by a diverse range of groups and about what we can do to cut unnecessary green tape while still protecting our unique environment."

Details of the public hearing are as follows:

Time: 9.00 am

Date: Thursday, 1 May 2014

Location: Remington Room, SMC Conference and Function Centre, 66 Goulburn Street, Sydney

9.00 am	Australian Sustainable Business Group
9.30 am	Property Council of Australia
10.00 am	Green Building Council of Australia
10.45 am	National Tourism Alliance
11.15 am	Urban Taskforce Australia
11.45 am	NTSCorp
1.15 pm	Lock the Gate Alliance
1.45 pm	Australian Network of Environmental Defender's Offices

The public hearing will be webcast live at: [http://www.aph.gov.au/News_and_Events/Watch Parliament](http://www.aph.gov.au/News_and_Events/Watch_Parliament)

Further details about the inquiry, including submissions received and the terms of reference, can be obtained from the Committee's website at <http://www.aph.gov.au/greentape>.

For media comment: please contact the Committee Chair, Mr Alex Hawke, on (02) 9899 7211 (electorate office)

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