



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

**Standing Committee on Infrastructure, Transport, Regional  
Development & Local Government Committee**

**MEDIA RELEASE**

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*Chair: Catherine King MP*

## **Helping regional Australia respond to the global financial crisis**

### **Townsville public hearing**

The House of Representatives Regional Development Committee is conducting a series of public hearings as part of its inquiry into the impact of the global financial crisis on regional Australia.

The twelve hearing of this inquiry will be at the Townsville City Council Chamber Offices, 103 Walker Street, on the 3 September. Public hearing participants have been invited by the Committee to discuss a range of issues including the economic and social impact of the crisis on their communities and ways in which the Commonwealth Government can assist regional Australia during this period. Members of the public are welcome to observe the proceedings.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING PROGRAM**

9.00am – 10.00am	Townsville City Council
10.15am – 10.45am	James Cook University & DS Enterprises
10.45am – 11.30am	Townsville Enterprise
11.30am – 12.15pm	Townsville Chamber of Commerce

Further details, including complete hearing programs, the full terms of reference and membership of the Committee can be found on the Committee's website:

<http://www.aph.gov.au/itrdlg>

#### **For media comment:**

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