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Media Release INQUIRY INTO STATE PLAN REPORTING

Parliament's Public Accounts Committee has announced it will examine reporting and review mechanisms for the NSW Government's State Plan.

"The introduction of the State Plan represents a significant change in the Government's approach to delivering services to the people of New South Wales," said Committee Chair, Paul McLeay. "For the first time we have identified clear targets for the entire State to work towards."

Examining the State's advancement towards those targets will be an important part of the Plan's effectiveness, said Mr McLeay. "The Public Accounts Committee wants to ensure New South Wales has the best possible reporting and review processes for its State Plan."

The Committee noted the role of community consultation in the Plan's development. Mr McLeay said, "It will be important for the community to be able to assess the State's progress over time and we also want an effective review process, so the community's needs continue to be reflected."

The Committee is seeking submissions from government agencies, private sector bodies, community groups, academics, and the general public. It will also compare the current framework in NSW with approaches by governments in other jurisdictions.

The closing date for submissions is Friday, 14 December 2007.

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The Public Accounts Committee is a bipartisan committee of the NSW Legislative Assembly and comprises the following members:

- Mr Paul McLeay, Member for Heathcote (Chair)
- Ms Jodi McKay, Member for Newcastle (Vice Chair)
- Mr Ninos Khoshaba, Member for Smithfield
- Mr Robert Oakeshott, Member for Port Macquarie
- Mr Anthony Roberts, Member for Lane Cove
- Mr John Turner, Member for Myall Lakes

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