



### Inquiry into the performance of the NSW Environment Protection Authority

1. That General Purpose Standing Committee No 5 inquire and report on the performance of the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA), and in particular:
  - (a) Measure the EPA's recent performance against its objectives pursuant to section 6 of the [\*Protection of the Environment Administration Act 1991\*](#)
  - (b) That the following cases be considered:
    - (i) land contamination issues at Botany and Hillsdale
    - (ii) EPA investigations and public statements about the effects of coal dust pollution in the Hunter
    - (iii) EPA investigation into ground water contamination in the Pilliga by Santos' coal seam gas exploration
    - (iv) the prosecution of Du Pont (Australia) Ltd for the alleged offence of land pollution in the western Sydney suburb of Girraween
    - (v) the regulation of cruise passenger ships at the White Bay Cruise Terminal at Balmain
    - (vi) the regulation of forestry practices in Royal Camp State Forest
  - (c) Any other related matters.
2. That the committee report by 14 February 2015.

#### Committee membership

<b>The Hon Robert Brown MLC</b>	Shooters and Fishers Party	<i>Chair</i>
<b>Mr Scot MacDonald MLC</b>	Liberal Party	<i>Deputy Chair</i>
<b>The Hon Rick Colless MLC</b>	The Nationals	
<b>The Hon Greg Donnelly MLC</b>	Australian Labor Party	
<b>Dr Mehreen Faruqi MLC</b>	The Greens	
<b>The Hon Luke Foley MLC</b>	Australian Labor Party	
<b>The Hon Dr Peter Phelps MLC</b>	Liberal Party	

\*Dr Mehreen Faruqi replaced Mr Jeremy Buckingham as a member of the committee as of 28 July 2014.