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STANDING COMMITTEE ON STATE DEVELOPMENT

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ROUNDTABLE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN ABORIGINAL COMMUNITIES

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The Standing Committee on State Development is holding a roundtable as part of the inquiry into economic development in Aboriginal communities on **Thursday 18 August 2016** at Parliament House.

The Hon Greg Pearce MLC, Chair of the Standing Committee on State Development, said ‘The committee has previously identified certain key themes required to support sustainable and prosperous Aboriginal communities across New South Wales including: empowering a coordinating agency to drive economic reform; identifying and harnessing capacity building opportunities for Aboriginal individuals and enterprises; and ensuring that opportunities envisaged under the *Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983* are realised.’

Mr Pearce continued, ‘The roundtable is an opportunity to discuss what specific actions need to be taken, and by whom, to address these requirements. This information will inform the recommendations in the committee’s final report.’

Round table participants include representatives from: the Prime Minister’s Indigenous Advisory Council; various New South Wales government agencies; the Independent Commission Against Corruption; Indigenous Business Australia, the NSW Aboriginal Land Council; local Aboriginal land councils and Aboriginal enterprises; Supply Nation; NTSCORP; the Clontarf Foundation; and the NSW Indigenous Chamber of Commerce.

The roundtable schedule for 18 August is available on the committee’s website at www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/statedevelopment.

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