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INQUIRY INTO SNOWY 2.0 AND TRANSMISSION PROJECT ORDER

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The Upper House's new Regulation Committee has commenced an inquiry into the Environmental Planning and Assessment Amendment (Snowy 2.0 and Transmission Project) Order 2018.

The Committee Chair, the Hon Scott Farlow MLC, stated, 'This inquiry will examine the impact and implementation of the NSW Government's Order regarding the proposed expansion of the Snowy Mountains Hydroelectric Scheme'.

Mr Farlow said, 'Development proposed to be carried out for the purposes of Snowy 2.0 includes exploratory works, the construction of a new hydroelectric power and pump station, the construction of a tunnel between Tantangara Reservoir and Talbingo Reservoir and the construction of additional electricity power lines and substations.'

Mr Farlow explained The object of the Order is to declare development for the purposes of the Snowy 2.0 and Transmission Project to be State significant infrastructure and critical State significant infrastructure.

"The committee encourages all interested individuals, groups and organisations to take part in the inquiry. In particular, we would like to hear from any stakeholders affected by these decisions,' Mr Farlow said.

The committee welcomes submissions by the closing date of Friday 4 May 2018. The committee will report by 29 June 2018. For further information about the inquiry, including its terms of reference and submission, committee's make please go to the website www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/regulationcommittee, phone the committee orsecretariat on (02) 9230 3544.

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