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INQUIRY HEARINGS COSTS FOR REMEDIATION OF SITES CONTAINING COAL ASH REPOSITORIES

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On Friday, 27 March 2020, the Public Works Committee will be travelling to Lake Macquarie and holding the first public hearing for its inquiry into the costs for remediation of sites containing coal ash repositories.

A second public hearing will take place in the Macquarie Room at Parliament House on Monday, 30 March 2020, which will be broadcast via the NSW Parliament's website.

The committee has received evidence from a range of stakeholders, including power station operators, the NSW Government, local councils, industry experts, environmental groups, community groups and individuals.

The Committee Chair, the Hon. Daniel Mookhey MLC, stated: 'These hearings will provide the committee the opportunity to further examine the evidence received and ensure the committee is well informed of the financial implications of remediation for coal ash repositories, as well as the issues facing the Lake Macquarie area and in other impacted areas.'

Further information about the inquiry, including the terms of reference and submissions are available via the inquiry website: https://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/committees/inquiries/Pages/inquiry-details.aspx?pk=2556. Information regarding inquiry hearings will be made available via the website once finalised.

The committee's report is expected to be tabled by 1 July 2020.

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