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SECOND PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE INQUIRY INTO THE ETHICAL CLOTHING EXTENDED RESPONSIBILITIES SCHEME 2005 (NSW)

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The Joint Modern Slavery Committee will hold its second public hearing at NSW Parliament House on Thursday 27 June 2024 for its inquiry into the Ethical Clothing Extended Responsibilities Scheme 2005 (NSW).

The committee will hear from the compliance team at the Construction, Forestry and Maritime Employees Union – Manufacturing Division and the Anti-slavery Commissioner.

Dr Joe McGirr MP, Chair of the committee said: 'This hearing is an important opportunity for the committee to discuss with these stakeholders the continued relevance of the Scheme and its potential to mitigate modern slavery risks in the textile, clothing and footwear industry'.

"This hearing will offer the committee deeper insights into the current compliance and outreach initiatives, as well as the necessary steps to safeguard outworkers in the TCF industry going forward' Dr Joe McGirr concluded.

Hearing details:

The hearing will be on Thursday 27 June 2024 from 11.15 am until 1.00 pm in the Macquarie Room at NSW Parliament House.

The hearing will be open to the public, and live streamed on the NSW Parliament's website: https://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/Pages/webcasts.aspx.

For more information about the inquiry, please visit the inquiry webpage.

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