

Select Committee on the proposed sale of Snowy Hydro Limited

INQUIRY INTO PROPOSED SNOWY HYDRO SALE

Reverend the Hon Dr Gordon Moyes MLC, Chairman of the NSW Legislative Council's Select Committee on the proposed sale of Snowy Hydro Limited, has called for submissions to the Committee's inquiry.

This Committee has been established in response to community concerns about the proposed sale of the Snowy Hydro scheme, and whether it is in the long term interests of the public.

The proposed sale raises a number of issues which are yet to be publicly aired, including the control of water rights from the Snowy Hydro scheme, the management of the Kosciuszko National Park, job security for Snowy Hydro workers and the intended use of funds from privatisation, including the impact of the proposed sale on the short and long term financial positions of the NSW Government.

The inquiry will commence with this call for submissions, after which the Committee anticipates holding a series of public hearings in early July.

I strongly urge all interested people and organisations to make a submission addressing the Committee's terms of reference', Reverend Moyes said.

The closing date for submissions is Friday, 23 June 2006. The Committee anticipates holding hearings in early July, including hearings in Cooma and Deniliquin.

The Membership of the Committee is:

- Revd the Hon Dr Gordon Moyes MLC (Chair)
- The Hon Melinda Pavey MLC (Deputy Chair)
- The Hon Tony Catanzariti MLC
- The Hon Greg Donnelly MLC
- The Hon Amanda Fazio MLC
- The Hon Patricia Forsythe MLC
- Ms Sylvia Hale MLC.

Further information about the Committee's inquiry, including how to make a submission and copies of the terms of reference, are available from the Committee's website at **www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/snowyhydro** or from the Committee secretariat on (02) 9230 3544 or via email to **snowyhydro@parliament.nsw.gov.au**.