LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE KOORAGANG ISLAND ORICA CHEMICAL LEAK

UPPER HOUSE COMMITTEE ANNOUNCES HEARINGS INTO ORICA CHEMICAL LEAK

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The Select Committee on the Orica chemical leak met today to decide its inquiry schedule.

The Chair of the Committee, the Hon Robert Borsak MLC of the Shooters and Fishers Party said: "The Committee is calling for submissions with a due date of Friday 4 November 2011 and has accepted Orica's offer to tour its facilities on Kooragang Island."

"The Committee will also hold a hearing and a public forum in the Newcastle/Stockton area on Monday 14 November and a hearing in Sydney on Thursday 17 November. The Committee resolved to invite a number of witnesses to appear at the hearings including the Premier, the Minister for the Environment, the Minister for Health, the Minister for Finances and Services and departmental officials," Mr Borsak said.

For more information, including terms of reference and updates, please visit the Committee's website at: www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/oricainquiry

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