



Legislative Council

MEDIA RELEASE

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**TASMANIAN FORESTS AGREEMENT BILL 2012–
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL INQUIRY**

The Legislative Council Inquiry into the Tasmanian Forests Agreement Bill 2012 will continue with public hearings this week in Hobart from **Tuesday 22 until Thursday 24 January 2013**. The hearings will include a number of recalled witnesses from last week's hearings (including some of the signatories) as well as new witnesses to the inquiry.

Further information about the Inquiry including the Terms of Reference, transcripts of hearings and published submissions are available and regularly updated at the following website:

<http://www.parliament.tas.gov.au/ctee/Council/Forests.htm>

In light of the significant public interest in the inquiry, the Hobart hearings will be broadcast through the Parliamentary broadcasting service.

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MEDIA NOTE: Details of witnesses appearing at the hearings are attached.

FURTHER INFORMATION: Paul Harriss MLC – 0409 977 430

**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL INQUIRY
INTO
THE TASMANIAN FORESTS AGREEMENT BILL 2012**

Public Hearings on Tuesday 22 to Thursday 24 January 2013

Committee Room No.1, Parliament House, Hobart

Tuesday 22 January 2013

9.00am – 1.00pm

Tasmanian Government Representatives,
Mr Norm McIlpatrick – Secretary DIER, Mr
Mark Kelleher – Secretary DED, Mr Gary
Swain, Deputy Secretary DIER, Ms Penny
Wells - Manager (Major Projects) DPIPWE

LUNCH BREAK

2.00pm – 3.00pm

OAK Tasmania

3.15pm – 5.15pm

Forest Industries Association of
Tasmanian (FIAT), Mr Terry Edwards -
CEO

Australian Forest Products Association, Dr
Hans Drielsma – Director

Wednesday 23 January 2013

9.00am – 10.30am

Wilderness Society

10.30am – 11.30am

Dr Simon Grove

11.45am – 12.45pm

Dr Susan Baker

LUNCH BREAK

2.00pm – 3.30pm

Tasmanian Sawmillers' Association

3.30pm – 5.00pm

DPIPWE – TBC

Thursday 24 January 2013

9.00am – 11.00am

Environment Tasmania

11.15am – 1.15pm

Institute of Foresters – witnesses to be advised

LUNCH BREAK

2.00pm – 3.30pm

CFMEU – Ms Jane Calvert

Meeting will then be closed to conduct other Committee business