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Renewable energy experts to front Latrobe Valley transition inquiry

A range of experts on the transition to renewable energy will appear before a Legislative Council inquiry this Wednesday, February 16.

The Legislative Council's Economy and Infrastructure Committee is conducting an inquiry into the closure of the Hazelwood and Yallourn power stations, examining the impact of the closure of the coal fired power stations on the economy and jobs in the Latrobe Valley.

Hazelwood was decommissioned in 2017, while Yallourn is due to close in 2028.

Among those presenting at the hearing will be Dr Colin Long, Just Transitions Organiser at the Victorian Trades Hall Council; Brian Davey, Chief Executive Officer and Gerry Morvell, Chairman of Australian Carbon Innovation; Bess Clark, Marinus Link Chief Executive Officer; and Tom Quinn, Head of Policy and Research, Beyond Zero Emissions.

The inquiry will explore options for the State Government to pursue to offset the loss of more than 1,000 direct jobs from the plant, as well as associated contractors.

It will also examine the effectiveness of the Latrobe Valley Authority in helping the region transition.

The session will be [live broadcast](#) between 9:30 am and 3:30 pm.

The full schedule, terms of reference, submissions and transcripts of earlier hearings can be found on the inquiry's [website](#).

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