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Latrobe Valley community representatives to address parliamentary committee

Representatives from Latrobe City Council, Voices of the Valley and the Great Latrobe Park Group will be among the witnesses at a parliamentary inquiry to be held in Traralgon next week.

The Legislative Council's Economy and Infrastructure Committee inquiry into the closure of the Hazelwood and Yallourn power stations will hold its first hearing at the Grand Promenade, Century Inn next Wednesday 24 November.

The Committee is examining the impact of the closure of the power stations on the economy and jobs in the Latrobe Valley.

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

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.

Steven Piasente, Chief Executive Officer of Latrobe City Council and Nina Bourke and David Langmore from Great Latrobe Park Group will appear in the morning session.

Geoff Dyke, Victorian District Secretary and Mark Richards, Victorian District Vice President CFMMEU Mining and Energy Division will appear in the afternoon, as will Barry Dungey, formerly of Loy Yang Power.

The hearing will commence at 9:00 am and continue until 3:00 pm.

The terms of reference and schedule of witnesses can be found on the inquiry's [website](#).

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