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**To:** [Jonathan Burdon](#)  
**Subject:** Hazelwood Mine Fire Inquiry 2015 - Brief to provide a report and give evidence

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Dear Dr Burdon

The Hazelwood Mine Fire Inquiry Board would like to you to be available for the public hearing as an expert witness on the **1 and 2 September 2015**.

Further, the board would like to receive an expert report from you by the **26<sup>th</sup> of August** on the following –

- The known health impacts of smoke inhalation, particularly those that relate to lung disease
- The likely health impacts of chronic exposure (ie exposure over weeks and months) to pollutants that were emitted as a result of the Hazelwood mine fire, particularly as it relates to conditions that affect the lungs. Specifically, Dr Burdon could give evidence on how air pollutants can be expected to affect those with pre-existing lung conditions, such as asthma and those without pre-existing lung conditions, in both the short-term and on an ongoing basis.
- Whether such exposure can be expected to cause and/or contribute to an increase mortality in the affected populations.

Please confirm whether you are available for the above at your earliest convenience.

If you are available I will provide you with a brief of materials and instructions for your report.

Regards

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