

## **Media Statement**

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### **Further consultation on EPA's greenhouse gas guidelines opens June 10, 2019**

The Environmental Protection Authority will open public and stakeholder consultation on its greenhouse gas guidelines next month.

The 12-week consultation period will begin on Monday 10 June, closing on Monday 2 September 2019.

EPA Chair Dr Tom Hatton said the Authority had listened to industry, interest groups and the community on the need to consult further on the guidelines, which were rescinded in March.

“The intention of the further consultation is to listen to community and our stakeholders, to ensure the greenhouse gas guidelines provide a robust and effective framework within which the EPA will consider the greenhouse gas emissions of future proposals,” Dr Hatton said.

“The EPA welcomes all submissions on potential changes to our greenhouse gas guidelines and we will take all views into account.”

To inform the consultation process the EPA will issue a background paper and (for reference purposes only) will make the rescinded guidelines available during the consultation period.

The EPA is open to changing its greenhouse gas guidance in response to the community submissions.

Submissions will be reviewed and published online following the three-month consultation period.

The EPA will consider all public submissions and prepare revised guidelines, that will then be considered by the EPA's Stakeholder Reference Group, which is made up of industry and environmental NGOs representative bodies.

The board intends to release its new guidelines in December 2019.

Submissions can be made at <https://consultation.epa.wa.gov.au/> from Monday June 10, 2019.

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