



Sid Sidebottom MP ... for a fair go in Braddon

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Important step for Tasmanian pulp mill

Member for Braddon Sid Sidebottom has welcomed today's announcement by Minister for Environment Peter Garrett as an important step forward for the Gunns' pulp mill.

Mr Sidebottom said it was vital that the mill met environmental guidelines.

"The expert panel independently determined the effluent and hydrodynamic issues related to the mill aren't stringent enough to guarantee the protection of the marine environment.

"They have placed a greater degree of proof on the process proposed by Gunns before the Minister will sign off.

"Gunns are able to begin the construction of the mill and seek relevant finance and have time to prove in practical terms that the hydrodynamics involved in the process meet Commonwealth standards."

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