



TOM VENNING MP

Member for Grey



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PORT PIRIE SMELTER STATEMENT

Attributable to Tom Venning MP Member for Grey

"I'm aware of the situation facing the smelter in Port Pirie and the uncertainty this is creating for workers and their families.

I have been in close contact with Nyrstar and have clarity on their position.

I have requested an urgent briefing from Senator the Hon Tim Ayres Minister for Industry and Innovation and Minister for Science to explain the Labor Government's position and what immediate support is being provided.

If support has been withdrawn, the Labor Government must be upfront about it. Regional jobs cannot be left in limbo.

This is a critical issue for our region. I will continue to advocate strongly for local jobs and the long-term future of the smelter."

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PLEASE BE ADVISED: Mr Venning is in a public hearing as part of the House Standing Committee on Industry, Innovation and Science today. As such his availability is limited. Please contact his advisory team below to secure additional comment or interviews. Please refrain from contacting Mr Venning directly.

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