

2010-2011 Queensland Floods Commission of Inquiry

Practice Direction No. 3

Cross examination in the week commencing 16 May 2011 by parties (or their legal representatives) who have been granted leave to appear in respect of Term of Reference 2(f)

1. This Practice Direction No. 3 replaces paragraphs 3, 4 and 5 of Practice Direction 2 with respect to the hearings to be held in Brisbane from 16 to 19 May 2011.
2. The Commission will circulate a list of potential witnesses for the week commencing 16 May 2011 to the parties with leave to appear in respect of Term of Reference 2(f) no later than 19 April 2011.
3. By no later than 5 pm on 26 April 2011, each party who wishes to cross-examine any of the witnesses on that list must:
 - a. identify the witness or witnesses they wish to question;
 - b. identify the issues to which their questioning will be directed; and
 - c. provide an estimate as to the length of time their questioning will take.
4. Responses by parties in accordance with this practice direction will be used as a basis for deciding which witnesses will in fact be called and the length of time for which they will be made available for questioning by the parties.
5. Nothing in this practice direction prevents a party from seeking leave to question a person at any time during the Inquiry if something occurs during the Inquiry which leads the party to believe that his, her or its interests may be adversely affected.