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Ipperwash Inquiry Receives 35 Applications for Standing

TORONTO, April 15 /CNW/ - The Ipperwash Inquiry has received 35 applications standing and funding. The applications will be heard from on April 20 to 23 in Forest, Ontario before Justice Sidney B. Linden, the Commissioner of the Inquiry.

The applicants include the estate and family of Anthony "Dudley" George, who was shot during a protest by Aboriginal people at Ipperwash Provincial Park in 1995 and later died; the Ontario Provincial Police; the Ontario Provincial Police Association; the Ministry of the Attorney General and former Ontario Premier Michael Harris.

A complete list and schedule is available on the Inquiry's web page: www.ipperwashinquiry.ca

The hearings will be held at the Forest Memorial Community Centre (Kimball Hall) at 6276 Townsend Line, in Forest. Forest is part of the Municipality of Lambton Shores. On

Standing before a Commission of Inquiry gives the individual or organization the right to take part in the proceedings and to make submissions on terms set by the Commissioner. The applicant must show a substantial and direct interest in the subject matter of the Inquiry or whose participation may be helpful to fulfill the Commissioner's mandate.

The Ipperwash Inquiry was established by the Government of Ontario on November 12, 2003, under the Public Inquiries Act. Its mandate is to report on events surrounding the death of Dudley George. The Commission is also directed to make recommendations that would avoid violence in similar circumstances.

A tentative schedule for evidentiary hearings is available on the Inquiry's web page www.ipperwashinquiry.ca.

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