



NEW SOUTH WALES  
Crime Commission

18 June 2013

The Hon Catherine Cusack MLC,  
Chair,  
Committee on the Ombudsman, The Police Integrity Commission  
And the Crime Commission,  
Parliament of New South Wales,  
Macquarie Street,  
SYDNEY. NSW. 2000.

Dear Ms Cusack:

**RE: INQUIRY INTO PERFORMANCE MEASURES IN OVERSIGHT AGENCIES**

I refer to your letter of 22 May 2013 and apologise for not replying earlier.

Whilst the Crime Commission is subject to extensive auditing and reporting requirements, it is with some justification in view of its recent history. Currently I am not able to identify any particular reporting requirement which is unnecessarily burdensome or lacks utility.

However, the Inspector has yet to commence to discharge the functions prescribed by s 62 of the *Crime Commission Act 2012*, which include auditing the operations of the Commission for the purpose of monitoring compliance with State laws and to assess the effectiveness and appropriateness of the procedures of the Commission relating to the legality or propriety of its activities. Until the Inspector indicates how he proposes to discharge those functions, and given that the Police Integrity Commission is also empowered to audit and monitor operations and procedures of the Commission, it is not possible to fully quantify the ultimate reporting obligations of the Crime Commission.

Yours faithfully,

Peter Hastings QC,  
Commissioner.