

## **PERFORMANCE MEASURES AND ACCOUNTABILITY OF OVERSIGHT AGENCIES**

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NEW SOUTH WALES  
Crime Commission

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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,

Thank you for your letter of 10 December 2012.

As Section 71(1)(a) of the *Crime Commission Act* expressly refers to the Management Committee it may well be that Parliament regarded it as an agency distinct from the Commission itself. If that be the case the Committee may properly be categorised as an "integrity organisation" whereas that categorisation is not particularly apt in respect of the Commission.

However, I would remind you that the Committee is comprised of only five part time members and has no staff or resources of its own. Its functioning is entirely dependent upon resources provided by the Commission itself.

The Committee as presently constituted does not have in place any formal mechanism for measuring its performance and I regret that as a consequence I feel unable to make any useful contribution to your Inquiry. Needless to say I will await the Inquiry's report with great interest and will seek to implement such recommendations as are appropriate to the Committee's responsibilities.

In that connection I particularly invite the Inquiry to consider the position of very small integrity organisations.

Yours sincerely,

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David Patten,  
Chairman,  
Management Committee.