

**Submission  
No 335**

## **INQUIRY INTO NSW WORKERS COMPENSATION SCHEME**

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To: The Chairman  
Joint Parliamentary Committee Reviewing the NSW Workers Compensation Scheme  
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Dear Sir,

I am writing in support to the submission made to your Committee by the Motor Traders' Association of New South Wales.

That submission argues that Industry Workers Compensation Funds will significantly reduce the deficiency mainly through better management. The Funds will also have the resources to ensure that each workplace is safe and thus reducing the number of accidents. MTA has already proven that it has the ability and capacity to do this. Managing an industry fund would increase its ability to do this and its improved management and workplace safety would reduce the deficit without diluting the rights of individual workers.

Over the past 10 years, the ability of workers to claim has been reduced but this has not flowed through to premiums. Worker's compensation insurance still remains one of the largest on-costs of employment. The value of on-costs plays a role in the decision making process when looking at staff numbers.

Yours faithfully,

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Dealer Principal