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## THE MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS OF THE NSW AMBULANCE SERVICE

Name:

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Mrs Robyn Parker MLC, Chair of the LCGPSC No 2

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Dear Sir/Madam

Re Inquiry Into The management & Operations of the NSW Ambulance Service and further to my phone call today 26/06/2008.

The following is taken from a cover letter I sent to the IAB Services re investigation into grievance with the NSW Ambulance service on 12/11/2007.

"I believe management think they are untouchable and do not fear any repercussions or consequences of any misconduct due to what I believe is abuse of their power and/positions which leads to harassment/vilification/intimidation and other illegal behaviour under OH&S.

I believe there should be major managerial behaviour modification to ensure a healthy workplace.

I also believe that A/O's now are either not (or becoming less) intimidated by ambulance management - causing them to revert to their old tricks and abuse of power to stamp their authority.

They do not like being questioned by road ambos (we are perceived as beneath them – a culture of arrogance.)

I believe there is a major shift occurring – the current abuse of power by management versus the legal rights of staff to ensure a healthy workplace. Please note I have responded to incidents not started them.

I have stood up in will continue to stand up against oppressive management which affects the health of myself and my fellow ambulance officers."

Thanking You

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