Submission No 729

## INQUIRY INTO GREYHOUND RACING IN NSW

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## Dear Director,

I am very concerned about the treatment of greyhounds in the racing industry in NSW. I believe that the regulations as they stand are not sufficient and do not discourage mistreatment of these gentle dogs.

I am concerned with the high numbers of greyhounds that are killed each year for no other reason than they are not fast enough. Animal cruelty seems to be rampant throughout the industry, with little penalty. It is also concerning the allegations of greyhounds being doped for racing. It seems money, and only money, drives the greyhound racing industry, and in most cases the animals themselves are of little concern.

Finally, there is the issue of greyhounds being exported to countries with fewer animal welfare regulations than Australia. This should be stopped immediately.

Thank you for considering my valid concerns.

Sincerely,

johanna peard