

**Submission
No 7**

INQUIRY INTO NSW TAXI INDUSTRY

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Subject: Taxis – Upper House Inquiry

The original issue of 'Nexus' Plates was justified. Today, the control/ownership of same is very questionable i.e. the original intention of issue has disappeared. The denial of Transport & Infrastructure of their loss of records is a joke. I have made/offered suggestions of resolve all on deaf ears.

The improvement of effectiveness of the Taxi Industry is the reality of being a Taxi Driver proud of a Profession/Career. This will not be achieved by the issue of additional plates. One more plate is one too many.

I am prepared to address Inquiry and answer Questions.

Yours sincerely,

Geoff Coates

Subject: Annual Report of N.S.W. Ombudsman Report (Mr Barbour)

I quote same (part of)

“Mr Barbour warned that questionable ethics and integrity lapses were common problems within the public sector. “Too many public servants think integrity is an old fashioned, optional concept,” Mr Barbour said. “Integrity is essential to good public administration and is something the public demands – it isn’t out of style and it certainly isn’t optional”.

It is my intention to acquaint Upper House Inquiry of same.

Yours sincerely,

Geoff Coates

Dear Ms Rhiannon,

Many thanks for requesting Upper House inquiry into N.S.W. Taxi Industry.

I have driven Sydney Taxis for forty nine years. For over ten years I was a Delegate of T.W.U. (Taxi Drivers Section) I am a Past President of NSW Taxi Drivers Association, I have been asked by A.C.C.C. to be a witness / informant in their action against Cabcharge.

I have sent this and further email (see attached) to:

<http://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/prod/web/submissions.nsf/Submission?OpenForm&ParentUNID=43BBB5C4FCAABAFFCA25766B001181AE&House=LC>

I am prepared to speak to inquiry.

Yours sincerely,

Geoff Coates