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## INQUIRY INTO OFF-PROTOCOL PRESCRIBING OF CHEMOTHERAPY IN NSW

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The Director
Select committee on Off-Protocol Prescribing of Chemotherapy in NSW
Parliament House
Sydney

Dear Sir,

Following a routine Pathology Test, ordered by my GP, it appeared I may have contracted CHRONIC MYLEOID LEUKEMIA (CML). This occurred in January 2011 and I was referred to DR. KIRAN PHADKE for further diagnosis and the CML was confirmed.

Because I was diagnosed Philadelphia Chromasome positive, Dr. Phadke recommended I use GLIVEC Tablets (Imatinib Mesylate). I have done so ever since and my CML is under complete control.

I have consulted Dr. Phadke 3 to 4 times each year, and these consultations are something I look forward to every time. Not just for the outstanding professionalism he displays, but, his personal interest in my health and wellbeing, which is so obviously demonstrated.

Dr. Phadke has one interest only, the welfare of his patient/patients ---- to consider and/or suggest otherwise is fraught with danger for all concerned.

Yours Faithfully,

Mr. Ron Backhouse