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To: NFP Reform Consultation

Cc: Robert Hyam; Lyn Healey; Mark Williams

Subject: Consultation Paper ref. Charities

Dear Sir/Madam

Firstly, please accept my apologies as I understand that this submission was due to you by the 9 December 2011, I am hopeful, though it is late, that it may still be considered.

I write as the President of the Cambewarra Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade, Illaroo Road, Cambewarra, NSW. As such our Brigade is concerned that the charitable status of our, and all other Brigades, may potentially lose the "right" to charitable status. Were it to be considered that all brigades would not be considered charities then the effect on our donors could be such as to reduce the effectiveness of this volunteer service and to the detriment therefore of our ( and all others so served) community.

We would therefore strongly submit that the all brigades within the RFS remain ,as now, defined as charities.

Please inform me if there is anything further that you may require.

Yours faithfully

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