

Government of Western Australia Office of Road Safety

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Mr J Francis MLA Chairman Joint Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation Parliament House PERTH WA 6000

Dear Chairman

Thank you for the opportunity to appear before the Committee on the *Road Traffic Code Amendment Regulations (No. 2) 2010* at the public hearing on Monday 6 September 2010.

I have received the uncorrected copy of the Transcript of Evidence given by me at the hearing and wish to correct information I provided in relation to Standards Australia. In response to a question from Ms J.M. Freeman about the ownership of Standards Australia (page 2), I stated that it was my understanding that Standards Australia is owned by all jurisdictions, the Commonwealth and the States.

I wish to now advise that Standards Australia is an independent company, not directly associated with government, although the Commonwealth Government and State governments are listed among their members. Standards Australia does have a close and co-operative working relationship with government, which is reflected in a Memorandum of Understanding between Standards Australia and the Commonwealth Government. This Memorandum has existed since 1988 and recognises Standards Australia as the peak non-government Standards body in Australia.

Austroads, which produces the Australian standards in the area of road construction and design, is jointly owned by the Australian and New Zealand road transport and traffic authorities.

I believe that all other statements given by me in response to this question are correct.

Yours sincerely

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