Review of the Crime and Corruption Commission's activities





Queensland Ambulance Service

Department of **Health**

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Mr Tim Nicholls MP Chair, Parliamentary Crime and Corruption Committee Parliament House George Street BRISBANE QLD 4000

Dear Mr Nicholls

Thank you for your correspondence dated 2 June 2020 regarding the Parliamentary Crime and Corruption Committee's (the Committee) five-year review of the activities of the Crime and Corruption Commission (CCC).

I understand that Section 292(f) of the *Crime and Corruption Act 2001* provides that the Committee must review the activities of the CCC and report to the Parliament by 30 June 2021 about any action that should be taken in relation to the Act or the functions, powers and operations of the CCC. I also note that in undertaking its review, the Committee will examine the CCC's overall performance over the last five years and consider its jurisdiction, responsibilities, functions and powers.

Thank you for your invitation to provide input into this review. Please note that the Queensland Ambulance Service (QAS) forms a Division of the broader Department of Health (the Department), and to this end liaison between the QAS and CCC is facilitated via the Department's Ethical Standards Unit (ESU). The QAS values this approach and notes that the effective operation of these governance arrangements continues to support the CCC's corruption prevention functions, and the ongoing delivery of the service delivery obligations of the QAS.

Further to these arrangements, please note that the QAS also derives significant value from the advisory and quality assurance-based processes delivered across the broader public sector by the CCC. The QAS management team actively considers and implements CCC recommendations within its own environment, to drive greater compliance across the organisation. The effective integration of these processes within the QAS further ensures that the conduct and performance of the QAS and its employees remains well aligned to the expectations of Government and the broader community.

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Yours sincerely

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