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Hon Meg Webb MLC
Committee Chair
Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters

By email: electoralmatters@parliament.tas.gov.au

Dear Chair,

Integrity Commission submission to inquiry

Thank you for the invitation to provide a submission to the Inquiry into the Conduct of the 2024 House of Assembly General Election and 2024 Legislative Council Elections, received on 4 July 2024.

We have no substantive submission to make to the Inquiry.

We do, however, wish to bring 3 research papers to your attention, which are part of our ongoing *Ethical conduct and potential misconduct risks in Tasmanian parliamentary elections* research paper series. The first 2 papers are attached and available online at:
www.integrity.tas.gov.au/research-and-education/research/tasmanian-parliamentary-elections.

- ▼ *Paper 1: Tasmania's Electoral Act offences and campaign conduct, and*
- ▼ *Paper 2: Grant commitments in election campaigns.*

Paper 2 makes 3 recommendations (see pages 21–22). We have written to the Premier on 3 occasions requesting updates on the action he has taken or plans to take in response to these recommendations. We are yet to receive a response.

As part of *Paper 3* of this research series, we opened a public consultation process on *The use and misuse of public resources in parliamentary elections* on 6 August 2024.

Submissions for the consultation process close on 3 September 2024. A copy of the consultation paper is attached.

We wish the Committee well with its Inquiry.

Yours sincerely,



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Acting Chief Executive Officer

- Enc. 1. Paper 1: Tasmania's Electoral Act Offences and Campaign Conduct*
2. Paper 2: Grant Commitments in Election Campaigns
3. Consultation paper: Have your say: The use and misuse of public resources in parliamentary elections