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Please find attached my submission.\r\n\r\nNeil Muir\r\n\r\n0418 123757\r\n

I am Neil Muir, Station Officer with Metropolitan Fire Brigade for 31 years, holding a

Certificate of Fire Technology. I am currently living in Doreen and work at Epping Fire Station, Childs Rd Epping.

I am writing this submission in support of the proposed reform of the Fire Services For the following reasons:

- : After 60 years without modification to Fire Services and the urban growth to Melbourne and Regional Cities.
- : Repeated recommendation from **several** Royal Commissions to reform Fire Services.
- : Guarantee of responding (2) appliances with (7) firefighters within 8 minutes should become mandatory under OHS.
- : Currently house fires within the Metropolitan Fire District to the 90th percentile of calls are contained to room of origin, this should be expanded to Urban & Regional areas.
- : The standardisation of all Equipment & Training will make things user friendly as One Fire Service.
- : The Fire Service Levy on all rateable properties in Victoria will make it very easy to establish proposed reform.
- : Responding with the CFA volunteers can be unreliable with arrival times.
- :A quantity of CFA volunteers are not trained to use Breathing Apparatus at fire calls, which is dangerous in todays standing.

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