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Dear Senator,

RE: Master Builders Tasmania - Induction Training

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I wish to bring to your attention serious concerns held by the CFMEU in relation to induction training carried out by Master Builders Tasmania at the Royal Hobart Hospital Project site. MBA members, John Holland and Fairbrother are the principal contractors at this project.

The union has received credible reports that induction training for 1,150 workers on the project was carried out by Master Builders Tasmania and that the organisation charged \$99 per worker for the said inductions receiving in excess of \$113,000.

We are not aware as to whether Master Builders Tasmania or any associated entity is a Registered Training Organisation as per relevant legislation. It has come to our attention in relation to employers of Accuracy Interiors (in receivership) that a significant number of employees of Accuracy Interiors possessed little or no knowledge of the English language and that MBA Tasmania failed to provide any translation or interpreting to enable those workers to understand the training provided.

This raises serious safety concerns as the induction training is necessary for workers to understand safety requirements on the site. It is beyond comprehension that any responsible organisation would treat the safety of workers in such a cavalier fashion. We bring this matter to your attention and request an urgent investigation by the relevant regulators into the circumstance of this serious matter.

Yours sincerely,

Dave Noonan **National Secretary**