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Mr Peter Hallahan Committee Secretary Senate Standing Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs Parliament House Canberra ACT 2600

Dear Mr Hallahan

Inquiry into the Personal Property Securities (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2009

Thank you for the invitation to comment on this Consequential Amendments Bill. We have reviewed the proposed changes to the *Bankruptcy Act* 1966, which is the only area of the Bill on which the IPA is qualified to make comment. We see no problems with the drafting or the contents of the proposed amendments.

We mention that this Standing Committee has also sought comments from the IPA on the Bankruptcy Legislation Amendment Bill 2009, by 25 November 2009. We assume that nothing in the changes proposed to the *Bankruptcy Act* by that Amendment Bill impact on the changes made by this Consequential Amendments Bill. We may review that further when we make our submission on the Amendment Bill by 25 November.

The IPA is pleased to assist in the consideration of this important legislation and we can provide further input as may be required. For that purpose, please contact the IPA Legal Director Mr Michael Murray (02 9080 5826 – mmurray@ipaa.com.au) as necessary.

Yours sincerely

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