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Myer Fire

Dear Caroline,

The fire that commenced on the afternoon of the 22nd September 2007 in the Hobart Myer shopping complex has seen the involvement of many people contributing towards the firefighting effort. Structural fires of this magnitude are thankfully not often experienced in Tasmania, however on this occasion the support the Tasmania Fire Service received from other agencies and organisations was a significant factor in the management of the incident.

The fire in the Myer shopping complex has had a significant impact on the Hobart community, however I believe the collaborative approach to the management of this incident has ensured the speediest possible recovery for the business community of Hobart.

The involvement of the IPM has been considerable in supporting the resources for combating this difficult fire. I would appreciate it if you could pass on our thanks from all the personnel involved in the Incident Management Team to all your staff involved in supporting this fire.

Without the help of all these people, especially yourself and Alan Williams we may have had added difficulty in suppressing the fire and making the site safe for firefighters, all support organisations and the general public.

Please accept my thanks and that of the Incident Management Team and that of the Tasmania Fire Service for the valuable contribution made by all during this firefighting campaign.

Paul Salter
A/DEPUTY REGIONAL CHIEF SOUTH

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