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Submission to the independent aviation safety regulation review panel:

Dear Sir

I am a Glider pilot and a member of the GFA. [REDACTED]

I am also a Private pilot. [REDACTED]

A thriving aviation sector that includes strong Sport aviation engagement is critical for Australia's future

Core messages for the panel to consider include:

- That Part 149 Approved Organisation model is the best way forward,
- Funding and the method of fair audit of the GFA requires ongoing consultation,
- GFA is held in high regard by aviation generally and is well placed to administer and gliding in Australia,
- The punitive, authoritarian and disrespectful attitude currently demonstrated by the regulator is contrary to the aims of a vibrant, successful, diverse and thriving aviation sector.
- The cost to gliding and general aviation by the harassment of the regulator in the guise of "safety" is detrimental to the expansion of aviation
- The "empire building" of persons within the regulator's structure to justify their existence is detrimental to the advancement of aviation
- A Ministerial Policy is urgently needed directing CASA to adopt a core mission to support and promote

Yours sincerely

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