

Submission to the independent aviation safety regulation review panel

I am a Glider pilot and a member of the GFA. I am also a private pilot.

A thriving aviation sector that includes strong Sport aviation engagement is important for the future of aviation in Australia.

I believe that the core messages for the panel to consider include:

- That using a Part 149 Approved Organisation model is the best way forward,
- GFA is held in high regard by aviation generally and is well placed in cooperation with CASA to build upon its existing administration and oversight of gliding in Australia,
- The current punitive, authoritarian and disrespectful attitude currently demonstrated by the regulator seems contrary to the aims of a vibrant, successful, diverse and thriving aviation sector.
- A Ministerial Policy is urgently needed directing CASA to adopt a core mission to support and promote rather than being adversarial.

Thank you for your consideration and appreciation of the importance of the Gliding Federation of Australia in the sport and recreational aviation sector.

Yours sincerely,

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