



AUSTRALIAN DRIVERS RIGHTS ASSOCIATION INC.

Iain Cameron  
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Office of Road Safety  
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Dear Iain,

**Re: Safety Warning System**

I refer to my previous correspondence concerning the use of Safety Warning Systems (SWS) in Western Australia. I am pleased to advise that an agreement has recently been signed with the St Johns Ambulance of WA. Up to 40 new ambulances in WA will be fitted with an SWS transmitter.

The System will transmit one of two early warning messages when the warning lights are activated: "WARNING -Stationary Emergency Vehicle Ahead", or " WARNING- Emergency Vehicle in Transit". An LCD and Verbal warning will be activated, and this message will be displayed, on any radar detector or driver warning system up to 1 kilometre away. We estimate that between 60 and 70 thousand vehicles in WA are fitted with the appropriate receivers and will start benefiting immediately.

SWS transmitters have been in use in the USA for many years. They were first introduced for testing on WA roads in 2002. Today there are numerous Safety Warning Systems installed in Western Australian ambulance, emergency vehicles, roadwork vehicles, construction traffic management vehicles and tow trucks. These systems are being utilised throughout Western Australia and transmit regular road hazard messages to all drivers equipped with a driver warning system.

The Australian Drivers Rights Association (ADRA) is a non-profit organization committed to utilising innovative and technologically advanced ways of improving road safety and protecting the rights of drivers. WA relies heavily on speed infringements and improving driver education to reduce the road toll. We believe in also utilising the best available, least adverse technology to improve worker and driver safety in WA.

Use of the SWS continues to gain the strong support of highway workers, unions, work safety officers, company officials and drivers. The SWS is proving to be an effective means of protecting the lives of workers and drivers and ADRA will continue to support and sponsor this SWS initiative in WA.

Yours sincerely,

**Glenn Secco**  
**President**  
**Australian Drivers Rights Association**

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*Stay Alert, Don't Speed, Drive Safe*