

Communication from VIDA

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Royal Commission – Direction to preserve documents

The *Royal Commission into the Integrity of Major Public and Civil Infrastructure Construction Projects in Victoria* has commenced. The Royal Commission's Terms of Reference require it to inquire into and report on matters including the nature and extent of corruption, criminal conduct and serious misconduct relating to major infrastructure projects in Victoria. Further information is available at <https://www.rcimcp.vic.gov.au/>.

VIDA directs its contractors to take all necessary steps to preserve any documents, communications or records that may be relevant to matters within the Royal Commission's Terms of Reference.

This requires that you do not delete, destroy or otherwise dispose of any relevant documents, communications or records, including any material that may be required in response to a notice to produce issued by the Royal Commission.

VIDA notes that it is an offence to destroy or conceal documents that are or may be relevant to a royal commission.

Please circulate this direction to all relevant personnel within your organisation, and to any subcontractors or suppliers who may hold relevant documents, communications or records.

This direction:

- applies in addition to any existing contractual obligations relating to document management, record-keeping and preservation of records
- takes precedence over any existing obligation, policy or practice relating to document retention or disposal that might otherwise result in the deletion, destruction or disposal of potentially relevant documents, communications or records
- applies for the entire period of the Royal Commission.

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