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Mr Gerry McInally
Committee Secretary
Senate Select Committee into the Political Influence of Donations
PO Box 6100
Parliament House
Canberra ACT 2600

Dear Mr McInally

Subject: Motivation behind political donations

Thank you for your letter to Nine's CEO Mr Hugh Marks regarding the motivation behind political donations made by Nine.

Nine is a heavily regulated business which as a result leads to regular interaction with members of parliament and policy makers to discuss issues which affect our business and to ensure that our industry's regulatory settings are fit for purpose.

With regard to political donations Nine makes annual donations to the business forums of the Labor Party and the Liberal Party which provide informative policy briefings and networking events. On occasion we make donations to attend events hosted by members of Parliament and political parties outside these forums.

All our donations comply with the relevant disclosure requirements.

Kind regards

Clare Gill
Director, Regulatory Affairs