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CIRCULAR 99/07

**TO: PRESIDENT
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**C.C: PROVINCIAL SECREATARIES (STILLWATER AND SURF)
GENERAL MANAGER**

FROM: LIFESAVING WESTERN PROVINCE CHAIRMAN – MR. MARK DOTCHIN

DATE: 22 NOVEMBER 2007

SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO CIRCULAR 96/07-PDI QUOTAS –NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Dear All,

Please be advised that LSA had received instructions from the Lifesaving Western Province Executive committee to circulate their response to Circular 96/07 – PDI Quotas for National Championship to the movement.

LSA circular 96/07 – PDI Quotas National Championships

Lifesaving Western Province would like to raise an objection to the above circular issued on the 14th November 2007. The circular states that at the National Council Meeting in October 2007 the Management Board was tasked to find a suitable solution to the Nipper PDI quota situation at national competition. At that National Council Meeting a variation of this issue was put on the agenda, the point was withdrawn and it was agreed that the status quo would be maintained. The Management Board was not mandated to find a suitable solution.

The circular also makes mention of the Minister of Sports comments with respect to quotas, his comments are in terms of national teams not regional. So to try and support this proposal with these comments are out of line and misrepresentative.

Our Constitution refers to a recommendation and decision making process that includes the Advisory Boards with input from the Regional Officers, then the Management Board with the National Council being the decision making body. This has been ignored; therefore the circular 96/07 is not valid and as determined in the National Council Meeting, the status quo with respect to quota's remains in place.

Lifesaving Western Province would like to express their disappointment in the way that the Management Board has pursued an issue that was withdrawn from the agenda at the October 2007 National Council Meeting, and in effect not abiding by a resolution made at the highest decision making body of Lifesaving South Africa. The sentiment of the circular is not in the interest of our movement and South Africa. We hope that further attempts to retard our

development and transformation objectives will cease; indeed it would be welcomed if members of the Management Board pursue tactics and strategies to ensure that across the board our structures represent the demographics of South Africa.

Yours faithfully,

(No signature – electronic document)
Mr. Mark Dotchin
Chairman of Lifesaving Western Province

