

Letter of Appreciation – Red Cross - dated 24 April 2009

*Dear Friends,*

*Thank you for your generous and compassionate support for the Victorian Bushfire Appeal 2009. Funds raised will be used to provide assistance to individuals and communities in towns and suburbs affected by the 2009 Victorian bushfires. An independent panel made up of community leaders, chaired by Mr John Landy AC MBE, will oversee the Appeal Fund's operation. The Victorian Government will manage distribution of the funds.*

*Red Cross will not deduct any costs from public donations to cover Appeal costs. All interest earned on donations will be invested back into the Appeal. Should the funds raised exceed the amount required to meet these needs, any excess funds will be used to assist in future disasters in Victoria.*

*While those helped by your generosity will not be able to thank you in person, please accept our thanks on their behalf.*