



# ABSEIL ACCESS™

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## Department of Labour Investigation

As you may be aware, the Department of Labour has begun an investigation into Abseil Access Ltd. This follows allegations that abseiling anchors on a Wellington building were found to be unsafe.

We are concerned about the allegations made, as we have never had an anchor points safety issue in our history. If there are issues to be rectified, then those will be dealt with immediately.

We are now working closely with the Department of Labour and providing assistance as required. Please be assured that our absolute priority is ensuring the safety of those people who work for us, and all those who rely on products that we certify as safe.

We are very confident in our companies bolt-testing procedures. We believe the eyebolts we have installed & tested are safe & comply with relevant Standards.

Abseil Access Ltd pioneered the use of modern industrial rope access techniques in New Zealand and is a leader in the rope access industry. In addition, we helped establish the main standards in this area:

- AS/NZS1891 – Fall Arrest Standard.
- AS/NZS4488 – Rope Access Systems.

If the Department identifies issues that require action or implementation, we will deal with those immediately. Our reputation is crucial to us, and above all we value our relationship with our customers. As the Department progresses its investigation, we will advise you on the next steps to be taken.

If you require any further information about this, or any other matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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