Fire Services Management Committee 24 November 2008

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## **Equality and Diversity**

The LGA is committed to promoting equality and diversity in the fire and rescue service, and showing political leadership on the issue. To help make this a reality, the LGA is asking all Fire and Rescue Authority members to sign up to the 5-point charter below to demonstrate their commitment to equality and diversity.

I will...

- 1 lead by example, promoting and championing diversity in my fire and rescue authority
- 2 work to achieve recruitment targets of at least 15 per cent for women in operational roles, and for minority ethnic employees at the same level as the representation in the working age population
- 3 ensure my fire and rescue authority has developed and published all of the required equality schemes and action plans, and provide challenge to the Chief Fire Officer on progress
- 4 ensure my fire and rescue authority works towards achieving level 3 or above of the equality standard for local government
- 5 show zero tolerance towards bullying, harassment and inappropriate behavior.

Please complete the detachable card below and return it to the LGA by 2 January 2009.

I wish to sign up to the LGA's Equality and Diversity Charter for Fire and Rescue Authority members and I will promote equality and diversity in the fire and rescue service.

Sign and print name:	 	 	
Email address:	 	 	

If you are already an Equality and Diversity champion (please tick)

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