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## Press Release



Stirling SES Members (l to r) Sharon Rance, Team Leader Ashlee Buck, Natasha Buck and Training Manager Shannon Kiernan

### **Industrial Demolisher Helps to Build SES Support**

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As an organisation, the State Emergency Service has a very high percentage of women members, and that percentage is growing all the time.

One of the challenges faced is the sourcing of high-quality Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) in sizes suitable for use by the ladies' smaller, but very capable hands.

To help out, national industrial demolition and deconstruction contractor, Liberty Industrial, has recently donated over 100 pairs of smaller-sized leather gloves to the Stirling SES Unit for use by its female members.

As well as gloves, Liberty Industrial has also donated first aid supplies, dust masks, rubber gloves and a host of other consumable items.

Stirling SES Local Manager Doug Cooper was very pleased with the contribution saying, "We purchase these items already, but we try to economise in their use during training operations so as not to waste the resources. Having these additional items means that we'll be able to use them in training situations and add a more authentic nature to the training."

Liberty Industrial is well known for its work demolishing defunct heavy industrial sites and the relocation of industrial equipment and facilities from one location to another. Currently, Liberty is involved in the disassembly and relocation of key assets from the Hismelt iron making plant in Kwinana to a new facility being built in China.

As part of the demolition process, more often than not, stores items such as gloves and other consumables would simply end up in landfill. However John Rebola, Liberty Industrial's Project Manager on the site, says that their company works a bit differently than most.

**“Our job may involve tearing structures down and cutting them up, but we’re heavily focused on recycling and reuse”, he stated. “We’ve also got a very strong track record of community support throughout Australia.”**

**When asked if he thought it was ironic for a company that breaks structures down providing support to a group known for protecting and repairing them, John responded, “Not at all. The steel, metals and concrete from our sites all go to be recycled, so there’s a good chance that what’s scrap metal today may be the roof the SES clammers over the next.”**