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Pauline Howie Chief Executive Scottish Ambulance Service

Via e-mail: paulinehowie@nhs.net

Dear Ms Howie,

On behalf of People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA UK), I am writing regarding the costs your ambulance service has incurred in order to accommodate obese patients. We understand that this is a heavy burden for you to bear, which is why we're interested in paying to place a pro-vegan ad on the side of your ambulances. The eye-catching ad we've designed features a sexy nurse and reads, "Lighten Your Load – Go Vegan".

Vegans are, on average, slimmer and healthier than meat eaters. Our ad could help bolster your budget while informing people that going vegan is the best way to reduce their trouser size, risks to their health and wear and tear on emergency vehicles.

Overwhelming scientific evidence shows that vegans are far less likely to be overweight than meat-eaters and far more likely to be in better overall health. The Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics – the largest group of nutrition professionals in the US – reviewed hundreds of studies and concluded that compared to people who consume meat, vegetarians have lower rates of obesity, heart disease, diabetes and cancer.

In addition, every person who goes vegan saves many animals from the cruelty of factory farming and slaughter – including sparing piglets from having the tips of their teeth and their tails cut off without any pain relief and sparing animals the terror of having their throats cut at slaughter.

We hope you'll consider placing our ad on your ambulances. Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to hearing from you and can be reached on 020 7837 6327 or at KirstyH@peta.org.uk.

Yours sincerely,

Kirsty Henderson Campaign Coordinator

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