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Feedback on the proposed options outlined in the discussion paper: Improving the regulation of manufactured Homes and estates, caravan parks + camping.

As these proposed improvements are very important to the future of our company and many like it throughout NSW, we have been discussing The NSW Governments Department of Planning + Environment's proposals quite frankly with other business, facilitated by the Manufactured Housing Industry Association. As we have had a great deal to do with the Manufactured Housing Industry Association, we would like the Department of Planning + Environment to count this submission as further confirmation, that the feedback provided by the Manufactured Housing Industry Association is supported throughout their members.

To add a more personal response, the proposal to change the definition of 'Building' in the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 is the best possible outcome for everyone.

Currently our homes are being labelled by our construction method, not the final use of the home. Most of our homes, on residential land, are unique, custom designed and once complete, are not 'relocatable'.

The fact that they are constructed in a factory, and consist of 'one or more major sections', should not dictate the final use description as it currently does.

The NSW Governments Department of Planning + Environment's proposal to include manufactured homes in the definition of 'Building' in the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 will be a tremendous step forward in the manufactured housing industry. The legislation will accurately reflect the current need for this type of development, especially in more remote areas of the state, and will better equip companies and councils to seek approvals for them.

As these proposed improvements are very important to the future of our company, we would like to participate in any further discussion and be included in all future communications.

Kind Regards

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