



Date: 18 January 2017

Department of Planning and Environment
320 Pitt Street
Sydney
NSW 2000

Dear Sir / Madam

Re: Proposed changes to the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000

The NSW Federation of Housing Associations (the Federation) welcomes the opportunity to make a submission in response to the proposed changes to the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000. This submission has been developed in consultation with our members and draws upon their experience.

The Federation is the industry peak body for community housing providers (CHPs) in NSW. Since 1993 the organisation has provided leadership, support and resources for the further development of the industry, and has represented the aspirations and interests of the industry to all other stakeholders – government, partners, business and the wider community.

The NSW Government has released proposed reforms to the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000 aimed at strengthening fire safety requirements in new and existing buildings. We distributed the draft Environmental Planning Assessment Amendment (Fire Safety and Building Certification) Regulation 2017 amongst our specialist network and the feedback we received was positive. An example is that “this can only be of benefit to CHPs who are developing or purchasing accommodation.”

For further information, please contact Leoni Lynch, on 02 9281 7144 or by email LeoniL@communityhousing.org.au.

Yours sincerely,

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