

15 February 2018

Director, Environment and Building Policy
GPO Box 39
SYDNEY NSW 2001

Dear Sir / Madam

Subject: Proposed Reforms for Buildings with Combustible Cladding

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the draft amendment to the Environment Planning and Assessment Regulation Amendment (Identification of Buildings with Combustible Cladding) Regulation 2017.

Council concurs that this is a vital step in the process of identifying buildings that may be clad with combustible cladding.

Council supports that it is the building owners' responsibility to ensure building details are provided to the Secretary if their building is clad with aluminium composite panelling.

The provision of cladding statements by the building owner is also supported, although Council considers there should be clear definition of who constitutes a 'properly qualified person'.

The creation of a register of buildings clad with aluminium composite panelling which is shared with local Councils is also supported.

Council reminds the Department that to identify whether a building is clad with non complying aluminium panelling, destructive testing is required.

If it is the intention that Councils are responsible for taking and organising the testing of samples, appropriate resourcing and cost recovery is essential.

Should you require further information, please contact me on 4921 0389.

Yours faithfully



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