

Thank you for the opportunity to make comment on the proposed draft regulation, my comments are summarised below:

- *Clause 186T Owners of building with combustible cladding must provide details of building and its cladding*

It's unclear how a building owner will become aware that the building has combustible cladding and that they are now required to register the building.

- *Clause 186U Owners of buildings may be directed to provide details of buildings and its cladding*
  - (1) *The owner of a building may be directed in writing to provide the secretary with details of any cladding that has been applied to the building.*
  - (2) *Such a direction may be given only by:*
    - (b) *the Council of the area in which the building is located.*

Protection for Councils is required from possible damage claims as a result of a direction to register, where the cladding Statement finds no combustible cladding.

- *Clause 186V Owners of building with combustible cladding must follow up with cladding statement*
  - (1) *the owner of a building with combustible cladding must provide the secretary with a cladding statement, or progress report on a cladding statement, for the building, as required by this clause.*
  - (2) *A cladding statement is a statement to the effect that the cladding applied to a building has been inspected by a properly qualified person and must include.*

"Properly qualified person" should be deleted and replaced with a "C10 Fire Engineer". This will ensure an appropriate high level of oversight, and will give Councils a level of assurance when reviewing the cladding statement with the view to issuing possible Fire Orders under the EP&A Act.