

24 June 2020

Hon Kevin Anderson MP
Minister for Better Regulation and Innovation
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Via email: Office@Anderson.minister.nsw.gov.au

Dear Minister

RE: *Building and Development Certifiers Regulation (NSW) 2020*

I am writing regarding the *Building and Development Certifiers Regulation (NSW) 2020* (the regulation), which comes into effect on 1 July 2020.

In preparation for the commencement of the regulation, the Association of Accredited Certifier is working with our members to ensure they are ready for the new regime.

We are now only one week from the commencement of the new regulation and several important questions remain unanswered by the Department of Fair Trading.

I appreciate the pressures officials in the Department are under, but our members require answers to the below questions before the commencement of regulation.

Contracts

The prescribed information sheets that must accompany contracts are not yet available.

Performance solutions

The AAC understands that registered certifiers will need to complete a variation form to undertake the expanded scope of work that would allow them to undertake performance solutions under the new regime.

- When will this variation form be available to industry and will industry be consulted on its development?
- What criteria will registered certifiers have to satisfy to be approved for the expanded scope of work?

Continuing Professional Development Guidelines

A draft Guideline was circulated for comment, however the final version has not been provided to certifiers, or the professional associations representing certifiers, to help prepare for the changes to CPD.

Grace period

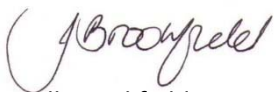
- While we understand there is no transition period from the old regime to the new regime, will there be a grace period to give registered certifiers additional time to prepare and implement the necessary changes brought about by the new regulation, especially when the abovementioned forms and Guidelines aren't yet available to them?

With only a week before the commence of the new regulation, your urgent attention to these matters would be greatly appreciated.

If you or your office would like to discuss any of these matters further, please do not hesitate to contact me on 0431 082 259.

I have also provided a copy of this letter to the Building Commissioner, Mr David Chandler OAM.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "J Brookfield". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Jill Brookfield
Chief Executive Officer