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Dear Minister

Re: Association of Australian Certifiers

I write in my capacity as Chief Executive of the Association of Australian Certifiers (AAC) to request a meeting at your earliest convenience to bring you up to date on a number of matters impacting our members, which are pertinent to your portfolio.

We do enjoy dialogue with your Cabinet colleague, the Hon. Anoulack Chanthivong in his capacity as the State's first ever Building Minister and wish to ensure that dialogue is extended to you and your staff.

The AAC's 2023 NSW Election Policy Platform outlined a series of reforms that need to be undertaken by this Parliament to support the certification industry and optimal building and development outcomes for the benefit of the broader community.

Our proposed reforms would improve accountability across the industry, support a sustainable certification industry and increase access to housing in NSW.

A number of these initiatives are classified as matters for the Small Business Minister, particularly when it comes to the complex issue of Proportionate Liability.

As the peak industry group for certifiers in NSW, we've worked closely with the Small Business Commissioner, Chris Lamont, to prosecute the need for urgent reform, and our clear hope is that you will consider this a priority among your many Portfolio responsibilities.

We must ensure that we have the registered certifiers needed to support the public, broader industry and ultimately the ongoing progress of the State. Reforms must include practical solutions that can respond to housing supply challenges.

Governments across Australia showed great resilience and flexibility during the darkest of times – and AAC is calling on the NSW Government and next NSW Parliament to show that same level of agility in making the substantial policy reform that is needed.



We would welcome the opportunity to meet with you formally to discuss this and other matters at your earliest convenience.

I can be reached on 0431 082 259 or via email jbrookfield@aacertifiers.com.au.

Yours sincerely

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