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PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS REGISTRATION BILL 2019

Organisation: Association of Accredited Certifiers

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Mr Alex Greenwich MP
Member for Sydney
Chair of the Committee on Environment and Planning

Via email: environmentplanning@parliament.nsw.gov.au

Dear Mr Greenwich

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission to the Committee on Environment and Planning's Inquiry into the Professional Engineers Registration Bill 2019 (the Bill).

The Association of Accredited Certifiers (AAC) represents Accredited Certifiers employed by local councils and in private practice.

For more than 15 years, AAC has been arguing for greater accountability from all practitioners in the construction industry.

Greater accountability from all practitioners across the construction chain will improve the quality of structures and outcomes for the public.

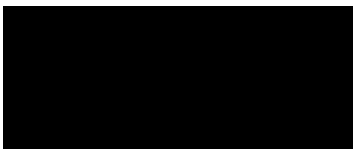
To achieve this greater accountability, AAC has been calling for the accreditation or registration of all building practitioners, and the mandating of professional indemnity insurance requirements, as is currently the case for Accredited Certifiers.

This Bill puts in place that necessary framework for engineers and therefore AAC is supportive of the Bill.

At a time when there is a clear crisis of confidence in the industry, ensuring building practitioners are registered and insured in a transparent and accountable way is paramount.

To discuss further, do not hesitate to contact the AAC on 1300 735 935.

Yours sincerely



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