



TRIM ref. no: D2021/136450

Mr David Shoebridge MLC
Chair, Public Accountability Committee
Parliament House
Macquarie Street
SYDNEY NSW 2000

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Dear Mr Shoebridge

Re: Further inquiry into the regulation of building standards

Thank you for the opportunity to appear as a witness before the Public Accountability Committee for the further inquiry into the regulation of building standards.

Please find attached responses to questions taken on notice during the hearing.

Yours sincerely,

Trent Curtin
**Assistant Commissioner Community Safety
Field Operations**

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Transcript Page	Question	Approved Response
67	Does FRNSW support the idea that there should be a commissioning certificate?	<p>Fire and Rescue NSW (FRNSW) supports any improvement in the certification and commissioning process that results in an improved level of compliance and safety.</p> <p>The NFIA submission proposes to require a commissioning certificate instead of an installer statement. FRNSW believe that the commissioning certificate should be provided as well as an installation statement/certificate.</p> <p>However, FRNSW recommends that the details of these items should be considered as part of the work being undertaken associated with the Construct NSW report on Improving fire safety titled “Industry report on reforms to improve fire safety in new and existing buildings” dated October 2021.</p>
70	Can FRNSW provide any information regarding the skills, qualifications, licensing and certification required for the installation of fire safety systems in major infrastructure projects?.	<p>FRNSW is making enquiries with Transport for NSW in relation to the particular project matters raised by the Plumbing Trades Employees Union.</p> <p>With regards to the skills, qualifications, licensing and certification required for the installation of fire safety systems in major infrastructure projects, FRNSW consider that this would be more appropriate to be answered by NSW Fair Trading, the Department of Customer Service and the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment.</p>