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**INQUIRY INTO FURTHER INQUIRY INTO THE
REGULATION OF BUILDING STANDARDS**

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Any improvements to the building regulation system must address the following:

1. A means of easily identifying non-conforming lightweight cladding systems. Whether this be by means of barcode or similar;
 2. Tighter controls around non-compliant building products. Currently there does not appear to be an effective means of preventing the sale and use of non-compliant building products;
 3. A means of encouraging more recruits to the building certifier profession. Currently there is no effective means of encouraging younger people into the industry
2. Certification of Construction Projects: There should be a threshold (monetary I presume) where if a project is worth more than \$X million of dollars the Certifier cannot issue a CC or CDC unless the Engineering design has been peer reviewed for compliance with Part B of the BCA. Same would go for the OC in that an OC cannot be issued unless the both Engineers sign off on the structural elements meeting Part B of the BCA.
3. Other Matters:
- Certification of all players in the industry: All persons involved in a building project are to be accredited with Fair Trading, this includes: Town Planners, Architects, Engineers, Consultants (Section J, BASIX, Access, Environmental etc). I understand that this has been proposed but not aware if actually implemented.
 - Standard templates for various certificates: CC's, CDC's, OC's, Compliance Certificates, Component certificates for various trades to sign off on.
 - Standard BCA report for CC and CDC assessment. All Certifiers completing a standard BCA report for each project.