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INQUIRY INTO FURTHER INQUIRY INTO THE REGULATION OF BUILDING STANDARDS

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Hi Guys,

Trust you are all fairing well with Covid Lockdowns.

I consult to Australian, NZ, EU and Japanese Building Material Manufacturers by bring their documentation up to BCA standards.

As a product designer their is little to no communication or involvement with not only your organisation, but also other state equivalents such as the VBA and the QBCC?

Australian Standards used to have a product design representative on the board recruited from the nationally recognised Design Institute of Australia based in Melb (DIA) but have only recently re-engaged us.

The effect is that quite often legislation that is not fully thought out with intentions often mutual but resulting in adverse business outcomes due to lack of consultation. The problem is a lack of STEM based professionals in Australia and the issue with the Insurance Council driving decisions.

If you want Australian Industry to prosper I'd suggest you all become a lot more collaborative with your approaches by engaging with the experts from the outset instead of over legislating simple things creating issues with local manufacturers profitability and R&D re-investment in material supply..

Always willing to assist,

Greg Meyer