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## **WESTERN AUSTRALIA**

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Productivity Commission  
Architects Inquiry  
LB2 Collins Street East  
MELBOURNE VIC 8003

Attention: The Commissioner/s

**RE:           ARCITECTS INQUIRY**

It has come to my attention that an inquiry with potential to impact on the provision of services to the consumer is in progress, with Architects registration being one area of review.

As an individual involved in the building and construction industry for some twenty years, and a registered Architect in Queensland and Western Australia, I am strongly of the opinion that the most appropriate method of providing for consumer confidence and appropriate services to the consumer is via retention of registration of Architects. I am also of the opinion such registration is best addressed via the use of a Uniform Act across Australia and administered by the relevant State or Territory boards. I consider the involvement of the RAIA and/or similar bodies totally inappropriate as administrative vehicles, being nothing more than peer grouping/come unions only, thus resulting in, and being seen as resulting in conflicts of interest.

Lest it be misunderstood that this correspondence is of a self serving/self interest nature only, I advise that also as a Builder, registered in Queensland and Western Australia, with a substantial portion of my involvement being at the construction phase, I see on an almost daily basis the truly sad indictment of the results from sacrifice on the all too common generic alter of poorly understood 'open competition'. Such poorly 'open competition' provide for a major loser being the innocent and unsuspecting user of such deregulated services – the consumer.

Should the commission be unclear about the adverse impact being experienced even know with services being provide by unregistered individuals and/or bodies, you are welcome to contact this writer for a further 'guided tour' of the results from weakened regulatory mechanisms.

Regards,

(signature)

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