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Productivity Commission Architects Inquiry LB2, Collins Street East Melbourne VIC 8003

Re: The Architects Inquiry

The registration of Architects needs to remain to maintain the communities' confidence and expectations when dealing with an "Architect" as opposed to a designer. There is a distinction between these professions in both education and the skills they are qualified to provide.

I Gary Mackintosh being a registered Architect therefore support the view of the Architects Board of Western Australia in that it is paramount that the registration of Architects is retained and that the most appropriate model is a Uniform Act across Australia administered by Local State and Territory boards.

Yours faithfully

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