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Attention: Mr James Latham,

Dear Sir,

RE: BUILDING PEFORMANCE STUDY

IMPROVING THE FUTURE PERFORMANCE OF BUILDINGS

The Air Conditioning & Mechanical Contractors Association of Australia (AMCA) and its associated State Associations are delighted to provide this submission to the government on this very important aspect of building performance.

The Commonwealth Government should be congratulated on the positive initiative shown in developing this study.

AMCA has been working on this problem and related problems in the building industry for many years and has had a concentrated effort in the last four years as set out below.

1995 - Delivering Reform - A discussion paper presented for the

Construction of the Australian Construction Industry Council by

AMCA - Sept 1995

1997 - AMCA Industry Statistics A document incorporating

Construction Industry Characteristics Engineering Services Sector, Air Conditioning & Mechanical Services Sector and Case Studies. - March

1997

1998 - Delivering The Project

There Is A Better Way Seminar at the ARBS Exhibition

Darling Harbour Sydney - April 1998

Speakers

Mr Peter Cooke - (Tas. Dept of

Treasury)

Mr Martin Hinds (Rider Hunt)

Mr Adrian Pilton - (Assoc. of Architects)
Mr Ken Strickland - (Lincolne Scott)
Ms Anne Howe - (Services SA)
Mr Ted Smithies - (NSW DPW&S)
Mr Gerard DeValance (UTS)
Mr Alan Butler (ACBM)

1998 AMCA - Procurement and Project Delivery in Australian

Building Construction (There Is A Better Way)

A document offering Clients alternatives that will lead to.

Better Quality Projects

Lower Costs Over The Life of

Buildings

Better Value For Money - June

1998

1999 AMCA- Client Tool Kit For Adding Value

A document showing Clients How To Add Value through Four Project

Phases:

Phase 1 - Strategic Alliances/Joint

Ventures/Partnering

Phase 2 - Clear Project Definition

and Value Management

Phase 3 - Design and Financial

Phase 4 - Life Cycle Equipment Selection and Energy Savings. -

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Please find attached a copy of each of the above documents for your information. As you can see AMCA over the last four years has continuously developed each document as an extension from the previous years documents.

AMCA would like the opportunity through DAVID EYNON Executive Director of AMCA-VIC and myself to meet with you and explain the developments of our documents and how AMCA could best work with you on this very important project.

If there is any further information you may require, please do not hesitate to contact the writer.

Yours faithfully

Norm Argent
Executive Director
AMCA-NSW

ATTACHMENTS:

THE ATTACHMENTS LISTED IN THE LETTER ARE AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION FROM THE COMMISSION'S MELBOURNE AND CANBERRA LIBRARIES.

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ATTACHMENTS ARE:

Delivering Reform – A discussion paper presented for the consideration of the Australian Construction Industry Council by AMCA

AMCA Industry Statistics

Delivering The Project There Is A Better Way

AMCA - Procurement and Project Delivery in Australian Building Construction (There Is A Better Way)

AMCA- Client Tool Kit for Adding Value