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Justice IJK Ross AO
President
Fair Work Commission
Level 4, 11 Exhibition Street
MELBOURNE VIC 3000
By email: Chambers.Ross.j@fwc.gov.au

Dear President,

RE: AM2016/15 – 4 YEARLY REVIEW OF MODERN AWARDS – PLAIN LANGUAGE PROJECT – BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION (GENERAL) ON-SITE AWARD 2010

Master Builders Australia ('Master Builders') refers to the Statement of 28 October 2020¹ and writes with respect to the *Building and Construction (General) On-Site Award 2010* ('On-Site Award') within which Master Builders maintains an interest.

At paragraph [11] of the Statement, interested parties were asked to comment on whether the plain language redrafting of the On-Site Award should commence in 2020.

The Commission is no doubt aware the Construction Awards were the subject of extensive amendments arising from the award-stage review which came into effect on 1 July 2020. We also note that a number of outstanding claims remain before the Commission for determination, including proposed changes to the Payment of Wages provisions within the On-Site Award.²

Master Builders would therefore not support the progression of a plain language review of the On-Site Award at this time as it is our view the process would likely result in unnecessary confusion for award users.

Yours sincerely,

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¹ [\[2020\] FWCFB 5674](#)

² [See AM2016/8 - Payment of wages](#)