



Australian Government
Registered Organisations Commission

10 September 2020

Peter Geoghegan
Treasurer
Consult Australia [Industrial]

Sent via email: info@consultaaustralia.com.au
CC: kisanne@consultaaustralia.com.au

Dear Peter Geoghegan,

Section 271 application for certificate of exemption from the requirements of Part 3 of Chapter 8 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 (the Act) (FR2020/243)

I refer to the application lodged pursuant to section 271(1) of the Act by the Consult Australia [Industrial] for the financial year ended 30 June 2020. The application was lodged with the Registered Organisations Commission on 5 August 2020.

The application has been granted. The certificate is attached.

If you wish to discuss this matter, please contact Kylie Ngo on (03) 9603 0764 or by email at regorgs@roc.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'CE', with a small horizontal line to the right.

Chris Enright
Executive Director
Registered Organisations Commission



CERTIFICATE

Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009

s.271—Certificate of exemption from requirements of Chapter 8, Part 3

Consult Australia [Industrial]

FR2020/243

MR ENRIGHT

MELBOURNE, 10 SEPTEMBER 2020

Certificate of exemption from the requirements of Part 3 of Chapter 8 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009

[1] On 5 August 2020 an application was made under s.271(1) of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009* by the Consult Australia [Industrial] for a certificate of exemption in respect of the financial year ended 30 June 2020.

[2] I am satisfied that the reporting unit did not have any financial affairs in respect of the financial year ended 30 June 2020.



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Consult Australia [Industrial]
GPO 56
SYDNEY NSW 2000

05th August 2020

Registered Organisations Commission
GPO Box 1994
MELBOURNE 3001

Dear Sir/Madam

Re: Application for Exemption (Section 271(1)) - [FR2017/162] Lodgement of Financial Documents for year ended 30 June 2020

We refer to your letter of 31 July 2020 advising that the financial reports for Consult Australia [Industrial] ("the Organisation") must be prepared and processed, as required by the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009* ("the Act").

Pursuant to section 271 of the Act, we hereby apply for a certificate to exempt the Organisation from the requirements of the Act relating to financial matters occurring in the year ended 30 June 2020.

The below information is provided in support of the application:

1. Consult Australia [Industrial] does not trade or carry out financial transactions of any kind and accordingly has no reason to keep accounting records.
2. Consult Australia [Industrial] does not have custody of any real property or moneys.
3. Consult Australia [Industrial] did not receive any revenue during the financial year.
4. Consult Australia [Industrial] did not expend any money during the financial year.
5. Consult Australia [Industrial] did not incur any liabilities during the financial year.
6. Consult Australia [Industrial] did not receive or expend money on any loans, grants or donations during the financial year.
7. There are no other reporting units associated with Consult Australia [Industrial].
8. The reason that the Organisation does not trade is because of the relationship between the Organisation and the Associated Body, i.e. Consult Australia ("the Association")
9. Consult Australia [Industrial] was established as the Registered Organisation supporting members of Consult Australia – the not-for-profit industry association representing consultants operating in the build and natural environment. Membership of the Organisation is available free of charge to Consult Australia members on an opt-in basis and as such no fees are payable to Consult Australia [Industrial].
10. Costs accrued by Consult Australia [Industrial] for Councillor training and for its ongoing operation (primarily staffing costs) during the financial year were paid by Consult Australia in accordance with the Agreement between the Association and the Organisation. Consult Australia is not a Registered Organisation and therefore is not a reporting unit.

I further note that Consult Australia is a registered company under the Corporations Act and is subject to the scrutiny of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission ("ASIC"), with an annual requirement to provide a fully audited general purpose financial report for the preceding 12-month period (last reported period 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020).

This process involves a full audit of the Association's financial affairs which is presented to the Board and in August of each year and is then published in the Annual report which is provided to all members prior to the AGM in October and is published on the Association's website which is freely available for all members to view.


Based on the above, we respectfully request that an exemption from the requirements be granted.

Also, for your information in March 2020 we applied to de-register Consult Australia [Industrial]. A notice of receipt of Consult Australia [Industrial]'s application was gazetted on 17th July 2020 in the Commonwealth of Australia Gazette.

If you have any queries regarding this matter, please contact Nicola Grayson, Chief Executive Officer on 0499 878 839.

I confirm that, in accordance with the Consult Australia [Industrial] Rules, as Treasurer, I am authorised to act on behalf of the Organisation.

Yours sincerely



Peter Geoghegan
Treasurer
Consult Australia [Industrial]