



Department of Government Services
35 Collins St
Melbourne VIC 3000

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Re: [Statutory Review of the Professional Engineers Registration Act 2019 | Engage Victoria](#)

Submission to PERA Review

Thank you for the opportunity to participate in the Statutory Review of Victoria's Professional Engineers Registration Act 2019 (PERA).

IPWEA Victoria (IPWEAV) is a professional association with around 400 members, most of whom are civil engineers working for Victorian local government with primary responsibility for the design, construction and maintenance of community infrastructure.

IPWEAV is a BLA-approved Assessment Entity that undertakes qualification and experience assessments for engineers seeking registration in the civil area of engineering. We have been closely involved with the development and implementation of the PERA since joining Consumer Affairs Victoria's PER Stakeholder Reference Group in 2019 and we welcome the opportunity of further engagement as the Review outcomes are considered and implemented.

In summary, we submit that:

- the co-regulatory registration process is sufficiently robust but would benefit from some incidental improvements
- the self-regulatory renewal process is insufficiently robust and would benefit from the adoption of a co-regulatory model
- awareness of the PERA amongst engineering sector employers and para-professionals is poor and would benefit from a comprehensive communications campaign
- the establishment of an independent Engineers Registration Board of Victoria would lead to improved outcomes for the profession and Victorian consumers

We appreciate the opportunity to make this submission and look forward to contributing further to the outcomes of the Review. Please contact me if you have any queries...regards,

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