



**Date 23.05.18**

**To whom it may concern,**

I write in regards to the Homeworker Code Committee's submission AA1000418.

The Australian Fashion Council (AFC) exists to promote the growth of the textile & fashion industry in Australia. The newly formed AFC, is the result of the 2018 merging of the former Council of Textile & Fashion, and Australian Fashion Chamber, who together share a history of over 65 years service to the industry.

The AFC is a not-for-profit membership organisation, with members drawn from across the fashion and textile industry.

One of our key strategy areas focuses on supporting and fostering ethical and sustainable practices within the industry. The work Ethical Clothing Australia (ECA) do in the industry has a great impact on ethical practice within Australia. With regards to submission AA1000418 notably paragraphs 26 to 32, we welcome a less intrusive and costly impact on local businesses in the accreditation application and renewal process, allowing assurances of ethical practice in local supply chains to be more accessible.

We have no objections to the submission.

We support the work undertaken as part of the Code and through Ethical Clothing Australia's operations.

Please contact me if you require anything else.

Yours sincerely,

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