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Hon. Amanda Rishworth MP Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations

By email - Minister.Rishworth@dewr.gov.au

Dear Minister,

As you will be aware I am currently involved and working with the Administrator in a fundamental re-organisation of the Victorian/Tasmanian Branch of the CFMEU.

Over recent weeks it has become clear to me that this task and the subsequent rebuilding and culture change that is required will be far more demanding than I had anticipated.

Accordingly, I write to tender my resignation from the National Construction Industry Forum and the Asbestos and Silica Safety and Eradication Council. I do so with a heavy heart as I am fundamentally committed to the work of both of these bodies.

I commend the Government for its action on both initiatives and wish you and those undertaking this important work the very best moving forward.

Yours sincerely,

Zach Smith

National Secretary & Vic/Tas Branch Executive Officer CFMEU (Construction & General Division)



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