

---

Dear Mark Fitt

Following on from your July hearings in Melbourne and Sydney, I am reading through the Melbourne testimony. The CFMEU reported 7 prior fires. I'd like to advise the committee of another one, in China in 2010 that killed 58 people. We have had plenty of warning. This month the Torch Tower in Dubai went up in flames a second time in two years. A neighbouring building burst into flames a couple of days later. Read [more](#).

A positive outcome of the China fire is the proactive measures (regulatory and physical) that have been taken as a result. Read [more](#).

The Senate Committee was looking for solutions to this ticking time bomb. One may be a strong recommendation to better equip our fire fighters as they have done in China. Another may be the need for the superior evacuation measures which in Dubai have allowed buildings to be successfully evacuated.

OCN appreciated the opportunity to speak at the hearing, and welcomes the opportunity to work constructively with the committee to prevent similar deaths in Australia.

Kind regards



Executive Officer  
Level 5, 95 Pitt Street, Sydney NSW 2000

[www.ocn.org.au](http://www.ocn.org.au)

*Thanks to our sponsors*

Principal Sponsors



Major Sponsor

