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ADVICE TO INDUSTRY

On the 28th November 2012 the Resource Management and Planning Appeal Tribunal (the 'Appeal Tribunal') will assume the jurisdiction previously exercised by the Building Appeals Board (the 'Board') in relation to the following matters:

Building Act 2000
Building Regulations 2004
Plumbing Regulations 2004
Drains Act 1954
Fire Service Act 1979
General Fire Regulations 2010
Strata Titles Act 1998
Water & Sewerage Industry Act 2008

This means in future that the Appeal Tribunal will hear and determine all appeals under all this legislation. All such appeals will be dealt with in accordance with the *Resource Management and Planning Appeal Tribunal Act 1993* (the '*Appeal Tribunal Act*') and the Practice Directions made under that Act. Any appeal already underway will continue to be dealt with by the Board.

Anybody likely to be involved in the future with appeals arising under the Building and associated legislation are urged to familiarise themselves with both the *Appeal Tribunal Act* and the Practice Directions. The details of both can be found at www.rmpat.tas.gov.au.

I recognise that the Appeal Tribunal's assuming jurisdiction of these matters will lead to some procedural changes. To that end if there is any interest the Tribunal is more than willing to conduct an information session dealing with an overview of the procedure in the future and any other related matter. If you, or the agency or decision maker you represent are interested in attending such an information session then please contact the Tribunal at GPO Box 2306, Hobart, Tas 7001 or phone on (03) 6233 6464.

I look forward to working with you in the future.

Yours sincerely

SJ Cooper
Chairman
Resource Management and Planning Appeal Tribunal