

The Hon Mick de Brenni Minister for Housing and Public Works GPO Box 2457 BRISBANE OLD 4001

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Clerk's Signature:

Dear Minister.

I write seeking advice in relation to the operation of a Queensland based building company, JM Kelly Builders, following representations from a constituent who is the spokesperson for the Subcontractors Alliance.

My constituent, Mr Les Williams of the Subcontractors Alliance has raised serious concerns about the ongoing liability of this company, given that the Licencee, John Geoffrey Murphy (QBCC licence number 47643), is an excluded person.

In June 2016, the Director of the former JM Kelly Group, Geoffrey John Murphy, had his licence suspended as a result of insolvent trading for three years prior. At that time, his son, John Geoffrey Murphy, took over the licence, however he was listed as an excluded person at the time.

John Murphy appealed QBCC's decision in QCAT approximately six months ago, however there appears to be no formal or published notice of that decision.

Can the Minister please advise how JM Kelly Builders can continue to operate in Queensland and secure government contracts when there appears to be legitimate concerns surrounding its financial capacity, together with a lack of transparency regarding its licencing arrangements?

I appreciate your earliest consideration of these issues.

Yours sincerely

Dan Purdie MP Member for Ninderry

4th September, 2018.