

Summary of Disciplinary Action

Registered Certifier	Registration Number	Disciplinary Ground and Summary	Disciplinary Action	Date of Decision
Paul Gearin	BDC0132	<p>1. Engaged in unsatisfactory professional conduct under the Building Professionals Act 2005 (NSW).</p> <p>2. Contravened the certification legislation under section 45(b) of the Building and Development Certifiers Act 2018 (NSW) (BDC Act).</p> <p>3. Engaged in conduct in connection with the carrying out of certification work that has fallen short of the standard of competence, diligence and integrity that a member of the public is entitled to expect of a reasonably competent registered certifier under section 45(a) of the BDC Act.</p> <p>On 1 July 2014, contravened provisions of the EPA Act and EPA Regulation by issuing a Construction Certificate (CC) when the CC approved plans:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • were inconsistent with the Development Consent (DC); • did not meet the requirements of the relevant BASIX certificate; and • did not meet requirements of the Building Code of Australia (BCA). 	<p>1. Cancel the Certificate of Registration Number BDC0132, pursuant to section 48(1)(e) of the BDC Act; and</p> <p>2. Disqualify the Registered Certifier from being registered as a certifier for a period of six (6) years, pursuant to section 48(1)(f) of the BDC Act.</p>	14/09/2023 (to take effect on 21/09/2023)

		<p>Between 16 June 2016 and 12 February 2018, contravened provisions of the EPA Act and EPA Regulation by issuing interim occupation certificates (IOCs) when:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the development was inconsistent with the DC; • relevant BASIX commitments for the development had not been fulfilled; and • critical stage inspections had not been carried out. <p>On 21 April 2021, contravened provisions of the EPA Act and EPA Regulation by issuing a final occupation certificate (FOC) when:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the development was inconsistent with the DC; • relevant BASIX commitments for the development had not been fulfilled; and • critical stage inspections had not been carried out. 		
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