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Good morning

CTF has been approached to waive the BCITF levy on construction work required in response to damage caused by Severe Tropical Cyclone Seroja. CTF is also aware that the Building Commission has waived the building services levy, and local governments are removing planning and building permit fees for impacted works.

After a thorough review of our Act, it has been confirmed that there is no legislative mechanism available for CTF to exempt or waive the BCITF levy in response to works resulting from damage caused by a natural disaster.

Whilst CTF is sympathetic to those impacted by this disaster the levy will need to be collected as normal for those applications exceeding an estimate \$20,000 in value.

The CTF Board is exploring options by which we can provide targeted support to the construction workforce directly engaged in the rebuild works.

To help in this, it would be appreciated if a record of those applications where fees are waived but the BCITF levy charged is kept. We can then use this to identify impacted works and engage with the project owner and their sub-contractors to provide support.

I recognise that some applicants may be aggrieved or confused by the need to still pay the levy in the circumstances. Should this be the case, they are welcome to contact CTF on 9244 0100 or provide feedback via email inquiries@ctf.wa.gov.au.

Kind Regards

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