

## Reporting suspected Indigenous 'black cladding'

'Black cladding' can mean different things to different people and can therefore be subjective and nuanced depending on how an individual decides to define an Indigenous business.

Supply Nation considers 'black cladding' the practice of a non-Indigenous business entity or individual taking unfair advantage of an Indigenous business entity or individual for the purpose of gaining access to otherwise inaccessible Indigenous procurement policies or contracts. Unfair advantage involves practices and arrangements that result in the disadvantage or detriment to an Indigenous business, or that do not represent a genuine demonstrated level of equitable partnership and benefit.

#### Notification of suspected 'black cladding'

A written notification using this form should be submitted to Supply Nation where there is evidence that an Indigenous business registered on Supply Nation's Indigenous Business Direct is engaged in black cladding under Supply Nation's <u>outlined criteria</u>.

If this form is not completed, Supply Nation may not be able to investigate the issue. Please provide as much detail as possible.

Supply Nation recognises that reports are generally made in good faith. All notifications are taken seriously and given careful and respectful consideration, but Supply Nation will not respond to frivolous or vexatious reports. Supply Nation will use the information submitted to assess the issue and determine whether to take any further action. Supply Nation is under no obligation to investigate or action a report.

Where Supply Nation investigates an instance of suspected 'black cladding', it may provide a copy of the information provided (excluding contact details) to the person or organisation the subject of the report and, if necessary, other parties that may have relevant information. By completing and submitting this form the reporting party consents to Supply Nation using the information submitted for these purposes. For further information please call 1300 055 298.

Personal information will only be disclosed or used by Supply Nation in accordance with the Supply Nation Privacy Policy or as permitted by law.

### Part A – Who is reporting the suspected 'black cladding'?

# Your details Supply Nation relationship ☐ Member Indigenous business Neither Name of person or organisation ABN of organisation Name of contact person Address **Email** Phone Mobile Part B – Which Indigenous business is suspected of 'black cladding'? Indigenous business details Name of organisation ABN of organisation Name of contact person Address Email Phone Mobile What is the relationship between the complainant and the supplier?

Note: If this report is about more than one person or organisation, please provide information about each additional person or organisation.

## Part C – Evidence of suspected 'black cladding'

Outline the reason/s you believe that the business is engaged in 'black cladding' or is 'black clad'?		
Please refer to Supply Nation's view of black cladding.		
When did the you become aware of the suspected 'black cladding'?		
Have you approached the Indigenous business about this issue?	Yes	□ No
If so, please provide details of the contact and their response.		
How do you wish the matter to be resolved?		
Part D – Lodging the report		
Name		
Signature		
Date		
Please send the completed form to Su	pply Nation	
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