

DGR Discussion paper responses

9. What are stakeholders' views on the introduction of a formal rolling review program and the proposals to require DGRs to make annual certifications?

It is our view that a formal rolling review program would be a helpful tool for DGRs and assist them in ensuring that they are continuing to act within their stated purpose.

This is also true of requiring DGRs to make annual certifications. The inclusion of this in the Annual Information Statement appears to be the most straightforward and least burdensome way to implement such certification.

It is our belief that if they were to be conducted more frequently than every 5 years that it would become an unnecessary burden on the organisation but that a 5-yearly period would be both helpful and timely.

10. What are stakeholders' views on who should be reviewed in the first instance? What should be considered when determining this?

As part of the desk top review, those who have failed to meet ACNC reporting requirements should be considered high risk and subsequently be reviewed first.

A desk top review of current documentation would ensure that the burden for the review is not with the DGR organisation but would help increase accountability and donor's trust in DGRs.