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Description

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Scope

This Practice Advisory is to:

- alert building owners to the issues that the report has identified with this long span truss steel construction
- provide advice to building owners to enable them to instruct Chartered Professional Engineers to review their buildings
- alert practising structural engineers assessing existing long span roof trusses in buildings throughout New Zealand

• provide advice to territorial authorities.

It applies to all existing buildings throughout New Zealand:

- that have long span roof trusses (over 20 metres) fabricated from welded closed steel hollow sections such as circular and rectangular tubes
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