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Official recognition as a testing laboratory within the Swiss certification and homologation process by the VKF (Association of Public Building Insurance Companies)

Dear Sirs,

Your application of the 4th May 2006 to gain official recognition as a testing institute for building component fire resistance testing in Switzerland came before the Structural Engineering Technical Commission (FBT) at the last meeting. Based on the application documents submitted, the commission noted your field of testing activity and technical and professional qualifications. The Structural Engineering Technical Commission (FBT), with its decision of 28th June 2006, officially recognises the

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as a testing institute within the framework of the Swiss certification and homologation process and will add it to the list of fire resistance testing institutes recognised in Switzerland according to European test and classing standards.

Please see the documents enclosed (only available in German) and our homepage www.vkf.ch for further important information.

The Structural Engineering Technical Commission (FBT) and the Association of Public Building Insurance Companies (VKF), as certification and authorisation body, look forward to a positive and constructive working relationship.

> Kind regards Association of Public Building Insurance Companies Certification/Homologation

> > Werner Ber

Tony Abegglen

Aforementioned documents enclosed