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RE: Fire Prevention on Construction Sites -

<u>Joint Code of Practice on the Protection from Fire of Construction Sites and Buildings</u> Undergoing renovation

Dear Customer

I am writing to you to confirm that the Warringtonfire Testing and Certification Limited's "Certifire" Schemes "TS 62 – Materials used to Clad Scaffolding" and "TS 63 – Temporary Protection Materials" are both listed within the <u>Joint Code of Practice on the Protection from Fire of Construction Sites and Buildings Undergoing renovation</u>.

I can confirm that both schemes are approved and hold the same legal status as the LPCB Loss Prevention Standard LPS 1207 and LPS 1215. "TS 62 – Materials used to Clad Scaffolding" is an alternative scheme to LPS 1215 and "TS 63 – Temporary Protection Materials" is an alternative scheme for LPS 1207. This is documented in section 10 (page 13) of the Joint Code and referenced as alternative schemes under footnote 14 and 16 which can be found on page 27 of the 9th edition.

Extracts from joint code

> 10 TEMPORARY PROTECTIVE COVERING MATERIALS

- 10.1 Finished surfaces, fittings or expensive items of plant and machinery incorporated into a building should be temporarily protected during construction or refurbishment. When selecting a temporary protective covering material, regard must always be paid to the relative fire load and the potential for fire growth and spread.
- 10.2 Where flexible protective covering materials are used, these must conform to the requirements of the LPCB's Loss Prevention Standard LPS 1207: Fire requirements for protective covering materials (ref 13) or equivalent standard (for example, ref 14). The materials shall be manufactured in accordance with a quality assurance and certification programme, and the protective covering material shall be approved by a third-party certification body accredited by the United Kingdom Accreditation Service. The relevant approval mark shall be printed on the material.
- 10.3 When flexible materials are used to clad scaffolding, these materials must conform to the requirements of LPS 1215: Flammability requirements and tests for LPCB approval of scaffolding materials (ref 15) or equivalent standard (for example, ref 16). The material shall be manufactured in accordance with a quality assurance and certification programme, and the scaffolding covering material shall be approved by a third-party certification body accredited by the United Kingdom Accreditation Service. The relevant approval mark shall be printed on the material.

- Loss Prevention Standard 1207, Issue 2.1: 2005: Fire requirements for the LPCB approval and listing of protective covering materials, BRE Certification.
- Technical Schedule 63, Reaction to fire performance requirements: materials used as temporary protective covering, CERTIFIRE product certification scheme, Warrington Certification Ltd.
- 15. Loss Prevention Standard 1215, Issue 3.1: 2005: Requirements for the LPCB approval and listing of scaffold cladding materials, BRE Certification.
- 16. Technical Schedule 62, Reaction to fire performance requirements: materials used to clad scaffolding, CERTIFIRE Product certification scheme, Warrington Certification Ltd.

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As the Certifire schemes have become more popular, following recent communication with the FPA, we have been made aware that the Certifire Schemes will take a more prominent position within the next edition of the code, rather than being stated as an alternative scheme under footnotes.

I hope that elevates any concerns regarding the status of the Certifire Schemes but if you have any further doubts, please don't hesitate to contact me.

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