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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 Mr Ruiz

Your application of the 27th May 2005 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 1st September 2005, 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

Tony Abegglen

Aforementioned documents enclosed