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Dear Paul,

I refer to my letter of 15 January 2020 in which I highlighted fire safety tests of non-Aluminium Composite Material (ACM) cladding commissioned by the UK Government after the Grenfell Tower fire, including a test commissioned on High Pressure Laminate (HPL) cladding. The Scottish Government is undertaking a data collection exercise to establish the extent of the use of HPL cladding in buildings across Scotland.

The Return Date for the Care Homes sector to submit an HPL Data Collection Return in response the HPL Data Collection Questionnaire was 22 February 2020.

I would like to thank the Care Inspectorate and the Care Homes who have already submitted an HPL Data Collection Return or who have contacted the Building Standard Division to request an extension to the return date. However, a substantial number of Care Homes have yet to either submit or request an extension.

I would be grateful if you would issue a copy of this letter to the Care Inspectorate to distribute to each of the care homes in Scotland requesting that any Care Home that has not already submitted an HPL Data Collection Return should please do so without delay, as a report will be prepared for the Ministerial Working Group on Building and Fire Safety once the HPL Data Collection has been completed.

For any queries about completing the questionnaire, please contact William Welsh on 0131 528 5712 or e-mail: BFSResponse@gov.scot.

Thank you for your assistance.

Yours sincerely

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Head of Building Standards Division

