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Attn: Mr. Colin Leung

Senior Project Executive, Industry Standards & Research

Dear Mr. Leung,

Re: Invitation to Review and Comment on the Qualifications of Verification Bodies (VB) and Certified Scheme Verifiers (CSV) of the HKGBC Green Building Product **Labelling Scheme**

We refer to your email dated 15 January 2014 addressed to our Institute's representative Sr Andrew Kung who attended the Consultation Forum held in 2013.

We are surprised and disappointed to see that in the Qualifications of Certified Scheme Verifiers (CSV) section of your email, members of the Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors (HKIS) were not included. We strongly request that members of the HKIS be included in the Qualifications of CSV.

Under Hong Kong's building control mechanism, Authorized Persons (AP) are the team leader of building projects responsible for preparing building plans submission, site supervision and certifying completion of building projects, and only members of the HKIS. HKIA and particular disciplines of HKIE can become AP. In Green Building area, there are around 300 of our members holding the BEAM Pro qualification as well. Our members have been playing a key role in the building construction industry in Hong Kong.

In this regard, we do not see any rationales for excluding HKIS members in the Qualifications of CSV.

We sincerely hope that you would review the above and I look forward to receiving your favourable reply.

Yours sincerely,

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