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## IFC Certification Industry Equivalence Letter

Dear Member,

IFC Certification are continually looking to improve awareness of certification in fire safety throughout the construction industry. Thanks to the vigilance of our clients, we have identified a limited number of companies who have restricted their procurement criterion for installers of fire products by specifying FIRAS or Q Mark certification only.

We have been in contact with these firms to establish the equivalence of IFC Certification alongside the aforementioned certification schemes, and the response so far has been positive. However our concern is that there are other companies who we have not yet identified who may be limiting their scope of choice for such an important specification.

To ensure that these companies recognise IFC Certification clients as high-quality providers of installer services, as well as being made aware of the many pitfalls of limiting their specification scope to a single provider, we are looking to compile a database of such procurers to ensure we have communicated our certification equivalence to them.

We ask that if you as an IFC Certification client have encountered instances of companies rejecting your services as a result of FIRAS/Q Mark procurement criterion, to please forward details to us. Please ensure that you have achieved all of the required permissions prerequisite under the General Data Protection Regulations before sharing any personal data. Please include any contextual details that you feel may be relevant to enable us to take these cases forward in a proactive manner.

Please send all responses to uk.ifccinfo@kiwa.com

Kind regards,

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