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Dear Sir,

Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors External Wall Systems Course

You will be aware that the fire risk assessors working group has considered access to the External Wall Systems Assessment Training Programme that RICS has developed to assist in meeting demand for EWS surveys. I can now advise you that following discussions with MHCLG and RICS the opportunity to apply for the course is now available to registered and practicing engineers who meet the entry criteria.

The programme involves an online self-study programme comprised of interactive eLearning content, live webinars with tutors, reading materials and knowledge checks.

Following completion of programme there are verification assessments that if successfully completed allow the individual to carry out EWS assessments and complete EWS1 forms. The programme is free with a paid end point assessment. The programme, which is supported by government, is intended to offer access to professional indemnity insurance to facilitate individual building based surveys.

The eligibility criteria requires confirmation that the individual has recognised professional registration with the UK Engineering Council as either a Chartered Engineer or Incorporated Engineer with considerable experience of at least 10 years in fire engineering including at least 5 years in a fire safety discipline.

Would you please inform your members of this opportunity and if individuals are interested ask that they contact myself in the first instance. Details of the course may be found at: <https://www.rics.org/uk/events/training-courses/external-wall-systems-assessment-training-certificate-programme/>

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Dennis Davis'.

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