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Dear Ms. Kazan-Allen and Mr. Dring

**REGULATION (EC) NO. 1907/2006 CONCERNING THE REGISTRATION,
EVALUATION, AUTHORISATION AND RESTRICTION OF CHEMICALS (REACH).**

Following your recent complaint regarding the potential import and use of asbestos containing material by Yuanda (UK) Co. Ltd, I would like to inform you that our investigation has now been concluded.

A multidisciplinary investigation was carried out, involving me as an inspector primarily involved in enforcing chemicals legislation including REACH, an HSE construction inspector and a specialist nominated asbestos person (NAP) from the Health and Safety Laboratories.

Sampling and Analysis

I have considered reports of asbestos sampling and analysis provided by Yuanda (UK) Co. Ltd, and by the principal contractor at a site known as 1 Blackfriars.

I have also considered independent sampling and analysis was carried out by HSL. The HSL sampling was carried out both in situ at the 1 Blackfriars site, and from within the supply chain for 1 Blackfriars. Additional supply chain sampling covered another ongoing project and two completed projects which had returned excess material to the warehouse.

All analysis of samples carried out by the Health and Safety Laboratories or by company appointed laboratories, returned results that indicated that there was no asbestos present in any sample.

Supply chain information

I have examined information about Yuanda (UK) Co. Ltd.'s supply chain, import and QA processes. This indicated differences in the Australian projects, including differences in supply chain and construction methods used.

I have also worked with HMRC to make enquiries regarding the supply of materials to Yuanda (UK) Co. Ltd. This information indicated that the supply chain has been consistent for a number of years.

A case review has now been carried out. Given that no evidence has been found to indicate the presence of asbestos, and looking at all the available information in detail, it has been decided to close the investigation and take no further action. Of course, if in the future any new evidence indicating the presence of asbestos comes to light, we will investigate this in line with our procedures.

Yours Sincerely



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