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Dear Mr MacArthur,

Thank you for your submission of 27 April 2018, on behalf of EDSL to the Welsh Government requesting approval for the revision the DSM interface software, TAS v9.4.3.

I am pleased to be able to advise you that the Welsh Government validation process confirms that TAS v9.4.3 is compliant with the approved national calculation methodology (SBEM version 5.4.b) and has been approved. This letter of approval supersedes any previous letter issued by MHCLG in relation to this software.

The approval is based on the following:

- The scope of the validation at the current time has focused on compliance of the generated certificates and reports using the business and operational logic, both published and agreed, at the Commercial Energy Performance Certificate Conventions Group meetings.
- The Department is satisfied that the software correctly replicates satisfactory agreement with the certificate and report templates.
- The software is approved as fit for commercial use in its current state and form including the Checksum results set out at Annex A. These Checksum results set out in Annex A replace those included in previous approval letters. Any later variant or version will need to be submitted separately for approval.
- It is the responsibility of software providers to ensure that the software they produce provides accurate calculations in line with the National Calculation Methodology (NCM) for which it is approved.
- This approval does not imply any liability is accepted by the department for software calculation inaccuracies.

Please note that a formal publication of the approval will be made in due course.

Yours sincerely,

**JASON WARD**

**Checksum results**

Below are the results from the checksum carried out on SBEM interface software version 5.4.b which must be present in this current version.

<b>File Name</b>	<b>Checksum Value</b>
TBD.exe	46B0CBF3D162240C5C316E7A7AD3BCE1
TPD.exe	B58379604508CC9C5127E564C9CAE4A3
UKBRStudio.exe	08D7E158673ECFA8E869C23F6324D3ED
UKBRStudio2013.exe	9F265508F6096015D5B52AF498732A4B