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Dear Mr MacArthur,

Thank you for your submission of 13 November 2018, on behalf of EDSL requesting approval for the Bug-Fix re-validation of the DSM interface software, TAS v9.4.4.

I am pleased to be able to advise you that the report produced by AECOM confirms that EDSL TAS v9.4.4 is compliant with the approved national calculation methodology (SBEM version 5.6.a) 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 approval has taken account of the information provided by you and testing by AECOM, as set out in their report of 17 January 2019. The Department is, therefore satisfied that the software correctly replicates satisfactory agreement with the certificate and report templates. A copy of AECOM report recommending approval is attached for ease of reference.

- 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,

DOROTHY GROBLER

Checksum results

Below are the results from the checksum carried out on SBEM interface software version 5.6.a which must be present in this current version.

File Name	Checksum Value
TBD.exe	DF1C27D6FF0BAC51F708691E9328A859
TPD.exe	2F90B6F3416C08CEA2CA6539EBB5F0EA
UKBRStudio2013.exe	AF7A5E26555AD79C065BEB7845335657