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To: All NSI Life Safety Fire Risk Assessment Gold and Life Safety Fire Risk Assessment Silver approved companies and applicants

Dear Colleague,

**BSI REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON DRAFT FIRE RISK ASSESSMENT
COMPETENCE STANDARD**

**BS 8674 Built environment - Framework for competence of individual fire risk
assessors - Code of Practice**

YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT!

BSI is inviting comment on the draft of BS 8674 for the committee to review and resolve. The public comment period ends on the 15th October 2024.

Comment may be submitted via the BSI standards development web portal at:
<https://standardsdevelopment.bsigroup.com/projects/2023-02899#/section>

Please note: Online registration with the BSI standards development portal is required before access to the draft is granted.

The standard gives recommendations for competence criteria to be met by individuals undertaking general fire risk assessments, (i.e. assessment of the probability and consequences of fire and the identification and evaluation of fire risk in occupied buildings) and the recommendations in the standard are based on the recommendations and core competence criteria set out in BS 8670-1 with specific regard to life safety fire risk assessment of the measures for fire precautions provided within a building.

The competence criteria recommended in the standard are applicable to non-invasive fire risk assessments of existing fire safety measures that can be attained through visual examination.

The standard gives the criteria for three core levels of competence: Foundation, Intermediate and Advanced, where Advanced is the highest level. The criteria reflect requirements to assess buildings



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constructed using conventional materials and systems and takes into account that in some buildings additional specialised guidance might be required.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John Davidson'.

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