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Dear Dr. Pelan,

I refer to your letter dated 27<sup>th</sup> February in connection with the enquiry arising from a BBC Spotlight programme aired on 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2013.

At the time, Ian Young, the General Manager of our window division, was having several problems with the NIHE that he could not resolve and he asked for my assistance. These centred round health and safety concerns, and the potential to save the public purse a considerable sum of money.

A meeting was scheduled for 25<sup>th</sup> January 2012 at the Radisson Hotel, Belfast with Minister McCausland's special advisor, Mr. Brimstone.

During this meeting the Glass & Glazing Federation (GGF) was referred to on numerous occasions as our proposals centred on changing the method of installing windows in line with the Federation's standards. I believe Mr. Young also stated that he was a former GGF Chairman.

The meeting concluded with the agreement that we should write to the Minister to request a meeting to discuss the issues further.

I can only presume that the references to the GGF during the meeting led Mr. Brimstone to conclude that the letter was to be issued by the Federation rather than Turkington's.

Please advise if you require any further clarification.

Yours sincerely

Trevor Turkington