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Dear *James*

I am writing further to Lord Rooker's Oral Question on Tuesday 9th September 2025; *To ask His Majesty's Government, further to the answer by Lord Khan of Burnley on 17 June (HL Deb cols 1897–8), whether they have investigated the role of Bureau Veritas as the examiner of the cladding and inspector of the lifts at Grenfell Tower.*

At Hansard Column 1256, you asked, *"what assurances can the Minister give that the fire performance data supplied by manufacturers to certification bodies is independently validated before approval?"*

In my answer I said that that is part of the Remediation Acceleration Plan, however please note that this is in fact part of the Government's construction products reform work.

For further context, the system-wide reform of the construction products regime was set out in the Construction Products Reform Green Paper, which was published in February. The Green Paper set out the Government's intention to ensure that any claims made about a product's performance, including statements about its suitability for use in certain situations, must be clear, honest, and evidenced. Further, the Green Paper proposed that manufacturers should provide conformity assessment bodies with any information on past tests that may be relevant to preparing and undertaking conformity assessment activity (including the issuing of certificates).

I trust there has been no misunderstanding and hope this further information is useful.

I am copying this letter to all Peers who contributed in the debate and the editor of Hansard. I will also place a copy in the House library.

Yours ever,

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