Attn Claire Valente

This is a last minute response to your consultation re ECO 2 I represent the National Blown Bead Association, a part of the British Plastics Federation. My members are mainly interested in the installation of expanded polystyrene beads bonded with adhesive into masonry cavity walls.

Products are all BBA approved and have been used in this application for more than 35 years with a good track record of performance. Current innovations allow the product to be used in areas not easily accessible to other insulation products, for example above conservatories.

Our comment is that we support the aim of this consultation to improve the documentation and surveillance of cavity wall insulation as outlined in your documentation. the monitoring of installations remotely, by telephone should be used carefully to ensure that the outcomes are reliable.

Whilst this support relates specifically to CWI, members of the EPS Group of BPF whom I also represent, supply EPS boards for EWI although they generally do not install systems, can see the advantage of your proposals for monitoring the quality of EWI installations. In this case the use of photographic evidence during installation is to be warmly supported.

Yours
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