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PCN ADVISORY – PCN ADV-001

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SUBJECT: IMPORTANT Notification of training/certification NOT accepted by BINDT and clarification of eligibility for examination

This advisory is being issued to all AQB's for information to identify accredited bodies and pre-requisite training NOT accepted by BINDT/PCN.

I have been notified that there have been recent requests for PCN AQB's to accept candidates for examination based on training certificates issued by Global Veritas Certification Service (GVCS). We believe this organisation may be linked to the company previously known as NDT International.

BINDT does not recognise any pre-requisite training from this or any other organisation linked to the company previously known NDT International.

PCN AQB's must not accept pre-requisite training for PCN examinations from the following three organisations, or any other that is linked to NDT International:

- Global Inspection and Certifications (GIC) www.gicgroups.com
- International Academy of NDT (IANDT) www.iandtcb.org
- Meena International Independent Personnel Certification (IPC) www.meenainternational.com

To re-iterate – eligibility for training:

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Clause 7.2. Training

7.2.1 To be eligible for examination the candidate shall provide documentary evidence of successful completion of a British Institute of NDT validated course of training at a BINDT ATO which covers the relevant part of the published syllabus (CEN ISO/TR 25107), that the candidate has satisfactorily completed training in the method and level for which the certification is sought. Please refer to www.bindt.org/education-and-training/training-courses/

7.2.2. For all levels, the candidate shall satisfactorily complete a course of theoretical and practical training recognised by BINDT.

If approached by any individual or company about this, or if there is any doubt about what training is recognised by BINDT, please raise your enquiry with me and/or the technical department at BINDT.

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Best regards

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