



# RESPONSE STATEMENT

8 August 2007

## NATIONAL ENERGY SERVICES RESPONDS TO NAO REPORT

Brian Scannell, Managing Director of NES said today:

“We were very happy to contribute to the NAO’s investigations, and we fully support their subsequent recommendations.

“NES acquired SAVA in November 2003, at which time the previous directors retired from the Board. They are not directors of either SAVA or NES.

“Any consultancy fees paid to SAVA happened before we acquired the company. We have not received any Government payment for advice on setting up certification schemes for the Home Information Pack market.

“SAVA was the first Government-approved certification scheme for Home Inspectors in 2006 simply because we worked very hard for it.

“We were also among the first organisations to be approved by ABBE to provide training for Home Inspectors, and the first organisation to gain approval for our software. We aim to be at the forefront of providing support and services to all professionals in the home inspection and energy assessment market.

“Since the NAO started its investigations, SAVA’s approval to be an official certification scheme has been independently scrutinised several times. Each review has confirmed that we meet all the required criteria and standards to ensure effective vetting, monitoring and consumer protection.”

**ENDS**

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