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To Whom It May Concern:

I have worked with Dr. Monideep Dey, President of Deytec, Inc. USA, on a frequent basis over the last almost 5 years in the field of International Standardization of Fire Safety Engineering (FSE).

He was introduced into the group of experts by the last chairperson of ISO Technical Committee 92 "Fire Safety" / Subcommittee 4 "Fire Safety Engineering" as a follow-up of his unrivaled experience in the handling of an international research project on numerical simulation in fire safety engineering.

While I acted as convenor for almost a decade in Working Group 7 "Assessment, verification and validation of calculation methods in FSE" he kindly supported the further development of the ISO Standard IS 16730 to be prepared as IS 16730-1. The latter standard is shortly before completion. Dr Dey was so kind as to follow me by spring 2014 as the new convenor of WG7 on occasion of my near retirement from the university branch of KIT, Germany.

During the last years, Dr. Dey as an expert from the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) took on the role of voluntarily organizing discussions on the pros and cons of particular types of validation exercises, brought forward valuable ideas on third party auditing of calculation methods in FSE, which he documented clearly in written form. The majority of his documents on the above subjects were circulated in the Working Group 7 and found their way into the revised draft IS 16730-1. Outside these efforts he took on the role of voluntarily bringing forward within ISO TC92 SC4 the revision of IS 23932 "FSE – General Principles". This document provides a framework and structure for the whole area of FSE in International Standardization.

I had the pleasure to be involved in the result of his efforts and expertise and hereby admit, that Dr Dey has been accelerating the development of FSE Standardization considerably. Which I am ready to state according to my having been involved in the ISO FSE Standardization since its 1st inauguration in 1991.

This was all done on basis of his experience, his will to contribute to a clearer and better understanding of fire safety engineering procedures and processes. While I had the pleasure to know him I always was impressed by his high propensity to strict integrity and objectivity, no matter how other members of the Group tried to bring forward positions that sometimes were more influenced by political views than technical evidence.

Dr Dey has proven to me expertise, willingness to voluntarily contribute to a superordinate system that is thought to enhance safety of man and I am happy to give him my wholehearted endorsement.

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