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Dear HAUC-England colleagues,

As you are aware the 4th edition of the specification has been in circulation since Spring 2020. It was issued at that time to assist and encourage Industry, by agreement, in making use of a wider range of options, alternatives and products contained within it during Covid-19. Additionally it also enabled Authorities, Utilities and their Contractors to familiarise with the contents in advance of its legal application from 10th May 2021.

To assist with awareness and the transition to the new Specification the SROH working group have prepared and agreed the attached briefing slides for sharing and briefing out across England. The slides are badged as “HAUC England” and in PDF format to facilitate ease of sharing, consistent messaging and understanding, and interpretation and application amongst all practitioners.

It should be noted that the slides capture the most significant items at a relatively high level. Not all the changes are covered as to capture everything at the same level of detail would have resulted in a much larger pack of information.

Should issues arise with regarding the specification’s use we would ask that initially matters of this nature are discussed and resolved at local/regional level. The DfT and HAUC have designed a process to deal with questions and answers and that will be available during May 2021, linked to the new HAUC(UK) web site. Until that is launched, please contact the joint chairs of the SROH, Alan Rainford and Colin Rivett

Best Regards

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