

WITNESS STATEMENT

Criminal Procedure Rules, r 27. 2; Criminal Justice Act 1967, s. 9; Magistrates' Courts Act 1980, s.5B

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Statement of: Richard BURNLEY

Age if under 18: Over 18 (if over 18 insert 'over 18') Occupation: Managing Director

This statement (consisting of 1 page) each signed by me) is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything which I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.

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Date: 14/08/17

This statement relates to the involvement Kingspan Insulation Limited and its associated companies in Great Britain & Northern Ireland, (Kingspan Insulation) had in connection with the Grenfell Tower refurbishment works. Our initial enquiries indicated that there was no involvement by Kingspan Insulation in the Grenfell Tower refurbishment works, however it was later established that a small amount of Kingspan Kooltherm K15 product had been used as part of the refurbishment project on Grenfell Tower, without Kingspan Insulation's prior knowledge.

I joined Kingspan in June 2014 as the Managing Director for Britain and Ireland for the Insulation business. Within my responsibilities there are a number of limited companies; Kingspan Insulation Limited is the main UK business and the one related to the supply of products to SIG. I am a statutory Director of Kingspan Insulation Limited and in this role I am authorised to speak on behalf of Kingspan Insulation.

An overview of the company and its corporate structure

Kingspan Insulation Limited is incorporated in England & Wales, company number 1882722, with its registered office at Torvale Industrial Estate, Pembroke, Leominster HR6 9LA. Kingspan Insulation are leading providers of rigid insulation boards and industrial insulation products to the UK construction industry. Kingspan Insulation employs approximately 700 people across 6 sites in the UK.

Kingspan Insulation is wholly owned by Kingspan Group plc (Kingspan Group). Kingspan Group is a global leader in high performance insulation, building fabric, and solar integrated building envelopes with 101 manufacturing sites supplying products to more than 70 countries, with over 10,000 employees worldwide. Kingspan Group is headquartered in Ireland and is listed on the Dublin and London stock exchanges.

Any involvement the company has had with Grenfell Tower

Kingspan Insulation provides insulation products for use by the construction industry in a range of applications in both the commercial and residential sectors. More than 90% of our products in the UK are sold through the distribution channel to specialist distributors, builders' merchants and system providers e.g. SIG, Travis Perkins, Jewson, SIKA etc, with less than 10% being sold directly to building contractors and end users.

Insofar as I have been able to establish from enquiries, Kingspan Insulation did not provide any products directly to any of the building contractors for the purposes of the 2015 refurbishment works at Grenfell Tower (the Grenfell Refurbishment Works).

On 16 June 2017 (at approx. 17.00) I returned a telephone call to Mr Sanjay Gorasia who is the Director/General Manager of SIG Ruislip, who are one of Kingspan Insulation's largest distribution customers. He informed me that SIG had supplied a very small quantity of Kingspan's Kooltherm K15 rainscreen insulation board to the Grenfell

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 Refurbishment Works through his branch. I understand from Mr Gorasia that between May and September in 2015, SIG generally delivered 96 sheets of insulation nearly every week from their SIG Ruislip site to Grenfell Tower (96 sheets of insulation would constitute 25-30% of a full load). I was told by Mr Gorasia that all of these deliveries were Celotex RS5000 insulation (which is a competitor's product, not made by Kingspan), except for one week when it was substituted with Kooltherm K15. Mr Gorasia could not remember the reason why Kooltherm K15 was substituted for Celotex on this one occasion. Following that phone call I was able to identify the particular order in question. It was a late amendment to a purchase order to include 96 sheets of Kooltherm K15, which was then delivered, along with the rest of the original order, to the SIG Ruislip branch. No indication was given at that time that it was intended for delivery to Grenfell Tower, and at no point did we give any technical guidance as to its suitability for use on Grenfell Tower. It was not until the 29 June 2017, following a visual inspection of photographs of the Tower, that we were able to establish definitively that Kooltherm K15 had been installed on the building.

Whilst I am aware that a small amount of Kingspan Kooltherm K15 was used with Celotex RS5000, Kingspan Insulation would never recommend the combination of two different products in this or any similar application. We have successfully tested Kooltherm K15, used on its own, as the insulant in several ventilated rainscreen systems.

I have also made enquiries to try and establish whether any Kooltherm FM pipe insulation might have been installed in Grenfell Tower. I believe from enquiries that the heating contractor, Denco Thermal Limited, may have purchased Kooltherm FM pipe insulation from either SIG or another distributor to upgrade the insulation of the internal hot water and heating pipes as part of the Grenfell Refurbishment Works. Initially Denco advised us on 20 June 2017 that they had installed this product on Grenfell Tower however subsequent attempts to obtain the quantities installed and areas of installation from Denco have failed. Therefore to date I have not been able to establish definitively whether or not this is the case. Kingspan Insulation's records show deliveries of Kooltherm FM pipe insulation to SIG Ruislip during this period, but we did not either sell or deliver Kooltherm FM pipe insulation directly to Denco for use on Grenfell Tower.

Any contacts from the relevant council/who was responsible for the contract of building works

We have had no contacts from the Kensington & Chelsea London Borough Council in relation to the Grenfell Refurbishment Works, nor had we any contact prior to the fire from any other person who was responsible for the building and refurbishment works at Grenfell Tower. Following the fire we have been in contact with SIG and Denco as mentioned above, in order to try and establish the facts.

The company's knowledge of the tower block

We have no specific knowledge of Grenfell Tower other than what is now in the public domain.

On the 29 June 2017, following the fire, we engaged a third party, Daniel Burton, to take photos of the exterior of the Grenfell Tower building, in order to identify where the Kooltherm K15 was installed on the building, and how it had performed. Digital copies of these photos are available.

What goods/equipment/services the company supplied

From my enquiries, I believe that there are two Kingspan Insulation products that may have been supplied via a third party to Grenfell Tower.

Kooltherm K15 rainscreen insulation board. This is a premium performance insulation, with a rigid phenolic insulation core, faced on both sides with a composite foil. It has a Class 0 fire rating, and a Class 0 fire rated insulation core, and has been successfully tested as a component in a range of ventilated rainscreen systems, to BS 8414-1: 2002 and BS 8414-2: 2005. It has a low thermal conductivity of 0.020 W/m-K.

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 Kooltherm FM high performance pipe insulation. This is the thinnest and most efficient product available for the insulation of pipework in building services/HVAC applications. The use of Kooltherm FM pipe insulation has been assessed and certified by KIWA N.V. Technical Assessment Body and is covered by KIWA BDA Agreement certificate BAP 15-036/01/C. It has also been assessed by Local Authority Building Control and is covered by LABC Registered Detail RD certificate number EWW382. It has a low thermal conductivity of 0.025 W/m.K.

Any costs and the circumstances surrounding payment – including how/when the contract was won

The standard process agreed with SIG for flexible stock ordering is as follows:

All stock orders are placed before 12.00 noon on Day 1, and a full articulated lorry is then allocated. SIG Ruislip continually adds or amends the order before 11.00 am on Day 2. This results in multiple orders being received for one delivery often resulting in multiple invoice lines. Delivery is then made on Day 3.

Copies of invoices/payment details have been provided to DC Wright. These documents were retrieved electronically by the Data Retrieval Team

Any inspections – including who carried them out

We did not carry out any inspections of the Grenfell Refurbishment Works, as we were not involved directly in carrying out those works.

After the fire, we carried out the photographic inspection referred to above.

Any information regarding subcontracting

Kingspan Insulation was not involved either directly or indirectly as a contractor, or in subcontracting out any of the Grenfell Refurbishment Works.

Any other companies involvement that you are aware of

As stated above, we supplied products to **SIG plc** who we believe then resold and delivered them to the contractor at Grenfell Tower. We also believe that **Denco Thermal Limited** were appointed as the heating contractor for the Grenfell Refurbishment Works.

Except for the foregoing, we have no specific knowledge of any company's involvement in Grenfell Tower other than what is now in the public domain.

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