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## Brief for

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2. We have liaised with the Health & Safety Executive (HSE), the Lift and Escalator Industry Association (LEIA), and the Safety Assessment Federation (SAFed) in order to ascertain what lift industry guidance is currently available in relation to lifts for fire service use and what the expectations are in terms of servicing and maintaining these installations. As a result it has been identified and agreed by all these agencies that additional guidance is required to highlight to lift installers/ servicing companies and responsible persons that all functions of a fire service lift installation should specifically be subject to routine periodic testing and maintenance by a competent person.
3. LEIA has subsequently published additional guidance (which has been circulated and is available to all of their members), and have been proactively raising the awareness of lifts provided for fire service use across the industry.
4. The HSE are currently updating their guidance in relation to the maintenance of lifts provided for the fire service. We have been informed that this will probably be forwarded to us for comment by the end of the year.
5. In-conjunction with LEIA, we have reviewed the current draft version of the revised BS EN 81-72 fire fighting lift standard, and have provided formal comments on this document via the British Standard Institute. As part of this we have supported the inclusion of additional commentary within the standard that outlines best practice maintenance routines for fire fighting lift installations.

