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To:  
Insurance Brokers  
Insurance Companies

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Dear Sirs

### **Health and Safety Standards for Arboricultural Operations**

As you are no doubt aware the arboricultural industry needs to reduce the number and magnitude of liability claims if insurers are to continue to insure arboricultural operators.

To this end a Joint Industry Working Party<sup>1</sup> has drafted and agreed the criteria that they believe arboricultural operators should meet in order to demonstrate that they operate safely. I am pleased to supply you with a copy of this standard which is agreed by all Party members as being the correct standard for arboricultural operations.

Please use the standard as you see fit, it is not copyright and may be freely copied and distributed.

If the arboricultural industry can help in any further way please do not hesitate to contact me or any of the Party members.

Yours sincerely

Nick Eden  
Director

<sup>1</sup>Joint Industry Working Party members drafting and agreeing health and safety standards for arboricultural operations are:

Arboricultural Association; Forestry Contracting Association, Institute of Chartered Foresters, International Society of Arboriculture (UK and I), Tree Care Industry Association.