Appendix A – RICS Valuer Registration

Scheme 1

1 Interpretation

- **1.1** 'RICS **Red Book**' means the RICS Valuation Global Standards, which contains mandatory procedural rules, best practice guidance and related commentary for all RICS members undertaking valuations.
- **1.2** '**Valuation**' means a valuer's opinion of the value of a specified interest or interests in a property, at the date of valuation, given in writing.
- **1.3 'Appropriately qualified and/or experienced**' is the test of whether an individual is appropriately qualified to accept responsibility for a valuation and combines:
 - a academic/professional qualifications, demonstrating technical competence
 - **b** membership of a professional body, demonstrating a commitment to ethical standards
 - c practical experience as a valuer and
 - **d** compliance with any state legal regulations governing the right to practice valuation.
- **1.4 'Carrying out'** means playing a material part in the production of valuations and/or taking responsibility for them, or undertaking technical review of the valuations of others.

2 Conditions for eligibility

- **2.1** Any person who qualifies as an RICS member will only be permitted to join the Valuer Registration Scheme if they have achieved:
 - a valuation competency to level 3 for Chartered Surveyor assessment
 - **b** business valuation competency to Level 3 for Chartered Surveyor assessment or
 - **c** valuation competency at standard associate level (if qualified as an Associate RICS member).
- **2.2** Any person entering the Scheme through an approved direct entry route may only do so by evidencing three hours of Continual Professional Development (CPD) on the RICS Red Book.

3 Mandatory requirement to be Registered

- **3.1** A person is required to apply to join the RICS Valuer Registration Scheme if they are:
 - **a** a Chartered Member or Associate Member of RICS with appropriate qualifications and/or experience

- **b** carrying out valuation work other than that included in the exceptions listed in the RICS Red Book and
- c in a region where the scheme has become mandatory.

4 Requirements of scheme registration

- **4.1** A scheme registered person shall:
 - a carry out all valuation work in accordance with the RICS Red Book where applicable
 - **b** carry out all valuation work through an RICS Regulated firm or
- **4.1.1** Where work is carried out outside of an RICS Regulated firm:
 - a operate a complaints handling procedure, which must include a redress mechanism that is approved by the RICS Regulatory Board and
 - **b** ensure that all previous and current valuation work is covered by adequate and appropriate professional indemnity insurance cover.
- **4.2** Where a scheme registered person refers to their scheme membership in necessary business documentation, the following designation shall be used:
 - a for Chartered Members 'Registered Valuers' and
 - **b** for Associate Members 'AssocRICS Registered Valuers'.

5 Limits on applications for Registration and Readmission

- **5.1** RICS may refuse to consider a further application for registration of this scheme where the applicant:
 - a has been refused registration within the previous 12 months
 - **b** has been subject to administrative de-registration within the previous 12 months or
 - **c** has been removed from registration as a result of disciplinary action for such period as defined at the time of removal.

6 Fees

- **6.1** A scheme registered person shall pay:
 - **a** the appropriate application and annual fees for registration set by the Standards and Regulation Board unless those fees are paid by an RICS Regulated Firm and
 - **b** any other costs incurred for monitoring or review activities in relation to the scheme and the course of any investigation.