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Dear Peter,

Approval of the application made by The Faculty Office to the Legal Services Board under s.51of the Legal Services Act 2007 for the level of practising fees

I am pleased to inform you that the 2010/11 practising certificate fee levels payable by notaries as set out in your application of 23 September 2010 have been approved by the Legal Services Board. This decision has been made under the authority delegated to me as Chief Executive by the LSB Board.

We are content that the information that you have provided indicates that the criteria within the Board's Practising Fee Rules have been met. I am grateful to The Faculty Office representative that worked with my staff during the approval process to reach this position.

We acknowledge that this year's practising fee approval process is in a transitional year for many of the Approved Regulators and we will be conducting a lessons learned exercise to determine how to improve the process further in the context of next year's round. We look forward to maintaining dialogue going forward to ensure that we continue to improve the process for next year.

Please contact Sonya Gedson, Regulatory Associate, sonya.gedson@legalservicesboard.org.uk or 020 7271 0073 if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely

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