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REQUEST TO ASSIGN ESSENTIAL WORKER STATUS TO PROPERTY DAMAGE MANAGEMENT
TECHNICIANS

Dear Sir or Madam,

First, on behalf of our members, we would like to thank you for your efforts in trying to protect our nation from the threat of COVID19.

I would also like to thank you for taking the time to read this correspondence, I recognise your time is limited.

The BDMA represents the interests of damage management practitioners right across the insurance supply chain, from insurers and loss adjusters to contractors.

You will recall just weeks ago Storms Ciara and Dennis wreaked havoc, causing (to date!) unprecedented disruption and anguish to thousands of people. Our members are those individuals and organisations charged with the essential job of restoring those people's properties to pre-incident condition.

The work is ongoing, as is the daily response to other property damages including fire and escape of water, which if left untreated, can cause secondary damage such as mould, presenting a real danger to health for inhabitants.

I am therefore writing to request that the Government formally acknowledge Property Damage Restoration Technicians as essential workers. We provide an essential service to people in a time of

absolute desperation and crisis and would like to continue to support them, in this, their greatest time of need.

Thank you for your consideration.

I look forward to your considered response as soon as is practical.

Yours sincerely,

Adrian Jolly

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