



# BES 6001 Annual Report 2020/2021

## Executive Summary

During the April 2020 to March 2021 period, the world faced an unprecedented pandemic meaning the update of the standard to version 4 was put on hold.

The day to day provision of certification services to clients also changed as many faced resourcing issues, as a result of the pandemic. BRE Global continued to provide support during this time to enable clients to continue with their BES 6001 certification.

## 1. Background

This report covers the period April 2020 to March 2021. BRE Global's BES 6001 *Framework Standard for Responsible Sourcing* have been in operation for a period twelve years. Issue 3.1 of the BES 6001 standard was published in October 2016 after which there was a transition period for organisations to be reassessed under Issue 3.1.

## 2. Certifications

During 2020/21 a total of 24 certifications were completed by BRE Global and the five licensees of the scheme. Table 1 indicates the sectoral spread of these certificates, and depicts all sectors listed in the Responsible Sourcing League Tables<sup>1</sup>

Products from 8 sectors were awarded certifications; most of these were issued for Steel Products.

As noted in previous reports, there has been continued interest from non-UK based companies; with a number of the certificates issued to those from outside the UK.

**Table 1 – Certificates issued by Sector in 2020/21**

Product Type	No.	Product Type	No.
Aggregates	1	Cement	2
Cementitious	1	Concrete Roof Tiles	1
Drain Membrane System	1	Insulation and Insulation Products	2
Plasterboard	1	PVC Profiles	1
Roof Roofing Products	1	Steel Products	13

(NB all certificate holders can be found online at [www.greenbooklive.com/search/scheme.jsp?id=153](http://www.greenbooklive.com/search/scheme.jsp?id=153))

At year end the total number of valid certificates for BES6001 stood at 188 certificates covering 150 companies (some companies have multiple certifications).

All certified companies continue to retain their certification in the manner determined by individual scheme certification bodies. There continue to be a small number of industry re-organisations, which

<sup>1</sup> Responsible Sourcing League Tables <http://www.bre.co.uk/page.jsp?id=3569>

have resulted in some certificate amendments. (Renaming, re-allocation of sites between organisations etc.)

### 3. Licensees

The five BES 6001 Licensees (BSI, CARES, Intertek, Lucideon and QSRMC) have all contributed to the continued development of the Standard. During the year, CARES contributed the most certificates at 11, BSI contributed 6 certificates, BRE Global 5, Intertek 3, QSRMC 2 and Lucideon 1. Licensees also continued to play a full part in the stakeholder consultation activity supporting the scheme development outlined below in Section 6.

### 4. Scheme Review

The process of updating of the scheme will commence upon the release of the final updated version of the BES 6001 Standard, which is planned for release in Spring 2022.

### 5. Scheme Performance

Following previous reports, this review looks at the pass level of all certificates, by sector (as defined in Section 2 above). Table 2 has been prepared for the whole sample. The sample size was all 188 certificates (where all necessary data was available). The table is presented below:

**Table 2** – Table showing the pass level percentage of product certifications

Product	Pass level percentage (%)			
	Pass	Good	Very Good	Excellent
Aggregates	14.29	28.57	28.57	28.57
Aluminium Products	-	60	40	-
Asphalt	-	25	25	50
Blocks	-	-	100	-
Bricks	-	-	50	50
Cement	14.28	-	42.86	42.86
Cementitious	-	33.33	33.33	33.33
Concrete Products	21.05	31.58	21.05	26.32
Drainage	-	33.33	66.66	-
Flooring	-	66.66	-	33.33
Fly Ash	-	-	-	100
Glass	-	50	-	50
HVAC	-	-	-	-
Insulation & Insulation Products	30.77	30.77	30.77	7.69
Lime	-	-	-	100
Lintels	-	-	-	-
Mechanical & Electrical Items	-	-	-	-
Mortars	-	50	-	50
Multiple	-	21.05	52.63	26.32
Paint Products	-	-	100	-
Paving Products	-	-	-	100
Plasterboard	11.11	11.11	22.22	55.56
PVC Profiles	-	100	-	-



Product	Pass level percentage (%)			
	Pass	Good	Very Good	Excellent
Rebar	42.86	28.57	28.57	-
Roofing Products	-	60	-	40
Steel Products	45	23.33	30	1.67
Stone	-	-	-	100
Walling products	-	75	25	-

## 6. Scheme Development

Version 4 of the standard is being drafted and will go out for public consultation before the final release of the updated standard in Spring 2022.

## 7. Forward Look

The outlook for BES 6001 remains positive.

Upon the release of version 4 of the BES 6001 Standard, BRE Global will work with its clients and Licensees to transition existing clients to the new version of the standard.

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