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ALLIANZ ENGINEERING OFFERS ADVICE TO CUT ENERGY BILLS

Allianz Engineering is advising clients of ways in which they can cut their energy bills and carbon emissions and potentially save up to £80,000 per annum or 15 per cent of their annual energy spend.*

As part of its energy services offering, the company can arrange a full Energy Audit and Report to help find the areas that could save costs as well as provide a full range of energy certification services for commercial clients.

The latest phase of the Energy Performance of Buildings Regulations comes into force on 1 July 2008 and requires every commercial property owner or landlord to obtain an energy performance certificate for construction, sale or rent of a commercial property with a floor area over 2,500m². This follows the initial implementation of the legislation, for larger buildings, in April of this year.

Steve Ford, special services manager, Allianz Engineering, said: "Commercial properties and public buildings currently account for nearly 25% of the UK's carbon emissions, contributing to global climate change. The way in which we light, heat and use buildings all contribute to this. Even small improvements to the energy performance and the way we use our buildings could have a significant effect on our fuel bills and carbon emissions."

More information about the legislation, timescales and a full suite of Energy Services can be found at www.allianzengineering.co.uk or www.allianzebroker.co.uk.

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Notes to Editors

1 - Allianz Engineering is a market leader in the provision of engineering insurance, inspections and energy services and is therefore well placed to comment on the impact of the new legislation.

2 - More information about the legislation, timescales and our full suite of Energy Services can be found on our website www.allianzengineering.co.uk or www.allianzebroker.co.uk

3 - Allianz Insurance is one of the UK's leading general insurers and part of the Global Allianz Group, one of the world's leading financial services providers with a presence in more than 70 countries world-wide, servicing more than 80 million customers. Allianz Insurance is able to offer customers a wide range of products including home, motor and a comprehensive portfolio of commercial and specialist insurance solutions.

4 - * Based on an energy audit carried out on a typical office building covering a floor area of 9,000m².

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