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Subject: RE: Changes to DRAFT SOC Extension framework - for review by
06 January 2023

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for the opportunity to review the latest version of the Draft SOC Extension Framework which was circulated to stakeholders on 5 December 2022. We have reviewed the Draft to the extent it applies to occupations within the Engineering and Manufacturing Sector. The proposed changes are positive improvements which recognise the wide and diverse range of occupations typically associated with Engineering and Manufacturing. The draft SUG descriptions are accurate and go a long way to capture the high-level detail of each associated occupation. The most valuable improvement from our perspective is providing greater clarity about 'Not Elsewhere Classified' (N.E.C) data, including N.E.C for Engineers. Although, N.E.C cannot be resolved entirely and will continue to contain emerging or very niche occupations, the additional clarity is welcome.

While we strongly support the improvements set out in the Draft, we are concerned that the current schedule for updating SOC will not be able to keep up with the increasingly rapid changes to the UK workforce, including industrial and technology change and the transition to net zero. SOC would be a more valuable tool for stakeholders if it were updated more frequently.

Kind regards
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SOC Extension

Dear Stakeholders,

An extensive review of the Sub-Unit Group (SUG) descriptions has recently been completed and as a result there have been further changes to the extended SOC framework.

I'm attaching the latest framework which includes a table of changes for the latest changes, and the revised SUG descriptions for comment.

Please provide feedback on these changes by Friday 06 January 2023.

Once feedback has been received the final documents, including the SOC index, will be published in the New Year on the ONS website.

Thank you for your continued support of the SOC extension project and I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards

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