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Hi Carl

Thank you for the call, please see attached/below requested documentation. Hope this assists.

I have put forward a Spanish slate being the SIGA 112s which is approved for use in Snowdonia National Park & therefore recognised as an alternative to indigenous slates. We have just used this slate on the Grade II listed West Bromwich town hall & Cosmopolitan Hotel, Leeds. Both were passed by planning &/or condervation. See links below.

The SIGA 112S has been formally approved by the Snowdonia National Park Authority (SNPA) because its color and texture closely mimic traditional slates from the Vale of Ffestiniog.

While the SNPA does not typically issue a "certificate" directly to the public, the attached/following documents serve as the official verification required for planning applications:

- Manufacturer Confirmation of Approval: SIG Slate officially lists the SIGA 112S as one of the few Spanish-sourced slates formally approved for use within the National Park.
- Declaration of Performance (DoP): This is the legal document certifying the slate meets the T1/S1/W1 standards (the highest rating for durability and water absorption) required by the NHBC and National Park planners.
- Product Data Sheet: The SIGA 112S Data Sheet (PDF) confirms its suitability for heritage, conversion, and refurbishment projects in Snowdonia.
- NBS Source Verified [Natural Slate SIGA 112S](#) | [SIGA Natural Slate](#) | [NBS Source](#)

It is also worth noting that Welsh slate is currently experiencing significant supply challenges. The Penrhyn quarry has been operating at limited production for the past couple of years while seeking a suitable new seam. Ffestiniog has been under water since Christmas, and as a result, Cwt-y-Bugail is carrying the majority of Welsh slate production.

Consequently, current lead times are exceeding 26 weeks and continue to rise.

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https://youtu.be/6_7gY-Sm-FU?si=RoL4hm3dbFGxa8Qj

Winner - Best use of slate for a commercial project - The Cosmopolitan Hotel – NRA Roofing & Flooring Services with SIG

<https://youtu.be/nK453YlcJ8c>

Best Regards

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Hi Rob,

Many thanks for taking my call and your advice and suggestions as to how we can satisfy the roofing slate condition imposed.

I would be most grateful for your help with this and look forward to working with you to discharge this condition.

Very best regards,
Carl

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