**From:** Mark Zarifeh [mailto:Mark.Zarifeh@royalcommission.govt.nz]

Sent: Tuesday, 22 November 2011 2:51 p.m.

**To:** Luke J. Rees-Thomas **Subject:** 738 Colombo St

Hi Luke,

AS discussed the Royal Commission is looking at the failure of the above building as a pedestrian was killed when the façade collapsed.

Could you please foreward me any information you have on the building relevant to its structural assessment. This would include:

- any reports from engineers ( please note I already have Powell Fenwick reports dated 6/9/10 and 9/9/11) -advice given from engineers or similar
- any information you have on any strengthening in the past
- details of contact with tenants re the buildings state post the September earthquake
- contact details fr the former tenants and the owner

This information is requestewd pursuant to the Royal Commission's powers of investigation under s4C Commissions of Inquiry Act 1908.

Thank you for your help.

Regards,
Mark Zarifeh,
Counsel Assisting,
Canterbury Earthquakes Royal Commission

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## Mark Zarifeh

From: Luke J. Rees-Thomas [Luke.Rees-Thomas@nz.knightfrank.com]

Sent: Wednesday, 23 November 2011 1:00 p.m.

To: Mark Zarifeh

Andy Bell; Triple Treasures Co Ltd Cc:

RE: 738 Colombo St Subject:

Hi Mark,

In response to your email below:

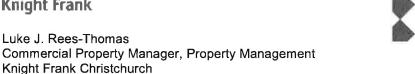
1. The only reports completed post September 2010, were those of the Tenant's (Powell Fenwick) - which were completed immediately following the event. The tenant contacted us and stated that they were arranging this report, following the Owner's approval.

## 2. As per above

- 3. We have not been privy to any information during our management regarding prior strengthening work. To our knowledge the current owner has not been required to complete any work.
- 4. The Tenant was 'OK Giftshop'. With the lease dissolving as a result of the EQ, we understand they have relocated outside of Christchurch. We received written confirmation from the Tenants post EQ, that they wished to terminate the lease.
- 5. The Manager of OK Giftshop is Akira on 021405633 or akirayoshikane@gmail.com. The Owner is Natural Blessings Ltd, Jonathan Liu on 0211776349 or treasure@ihug.co.nz

Regards,

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