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SE London - Competitive Salary and Benefits Package

United House is a fast growing specialist residential developer and contractor operating in the private and public sectors and positioned at the leading edge of the housing sector. Since its formation in 1964 the company has enjoyed impressive year on year growth and in 2011 had a record annual turnover of £239m. With a reputation for innovation in sustainable, design-led developments and refurbishments in and around London, it is an award winning business which continues to go from strength to strength. In 2010, the business entered a new phase of its growth with the introduction of Lloyds Development Capital as a shareholder.

Due to this ongoing success, we are now looking to appoint a new Head of Legal to join our senior management team and work closely with the main Board and Development business. Reporting to the Group Finance Director you will be responsible for a small legal and company secretarial team whilst also managing relations with our external legal advisers. In addition to advising on the legal aspects of complex property development projects which often involve joint venture, tax and funding issues, you will also be expected to take the lead on providing legal advice in areas such as employment, IP, litigation, corporate matters and finance.

To succeed in this broad and challenging role, you must have at least 6 years' PQE in property development some of which will ideally have been gained in-house. Experience of large complex construction projects would also be useful as would knowledge of Public Private Partnerships. Working with colleagues across the entire spectrum of the business, it is essential that you have excellent interpersonal skills whilst a robust, confident personality and the ability to lead and inspire others will also be key to your success.

In return, as well as an attractive salary and benefits package, we are offering you the opportunity to be an integral part of the management team of a highly successful, growing market leading business.