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Dear Sirs

**NOTIFICATION OF THE INTENTION TO CARRY OUT ENGINEERING
ACTIVITY ON LAND ADJOINING PUBLIC STREETS**

LTA introduced the "Guide To Carrying Out Engineering Works Within Road Structure Safety Zone and Engineering Activity on Land adjoining Public Streets" on 28 January 2011. Part III of the Guide highlights the procedure and requirements for notification to LTA of the intent to carry out engineering activity on land adjoining public streets.

2. The objective of the notification is to ensure that a more proactive approach is in place to safeguard public streets against the effects of the engineering activity. During a public seminar on 14 November 2011, we have also conveyed to the professionals in the construction industry the rationale, importance and requirements of the notification of the intent to carry out engineering activity.

3. It has come to our notice that engineering activity of numerous developments were being carried out without prior notification to LTA. We would like to highlight that public street is highly sensitive to ground movements and susceptible to damage caused by the carrying out of engineering activity. Any damages caused to the public street will affect the road riding quality, safe use of the public street and cause disruption to public transport and all road users. The safety of public and road users will also be jeopardized should the defective condition deteriorates to an extent that renders the public street to be in a dangerous condition. It is therefore prudent that you exercise caution in the design and installation of earth retaining structures and adopt safe work practices when carrying out engineering activities at site affecting public streets.

4. We would like to remind all contractors, building professionals, land owners and developers that where the Authority is of the opinion that the carrying out of any activity on any land adjoining a public street has caused or is likely to cause the public street or any part thereof to be in a dangerous or defective condition, the Authority may among the powers to exercise Street Works Act Section 8.

5. It is imperative that the public streets and the safety of the public and road users are safeguarded from the effects of engineering activity and this requires close collaborative efforts among LTA, contractors, building professionals, land owners and developers. We seek the contractors' / building professionals' / land owners' and developers' co-operation in notifying us prior to carrying out any engineering activity on land adjoining public streets. The list of engineering activities and the requirements on notification are found in Part III of the Guide available for download in LTA website.

6. Please disseminate the contents of this circular to your members' attention. For enquires, you may contact Ms Tay Tun Ling at 63328915.

Yours faithfully



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