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Dear Sir

NOISE FROM CONSTRUCTION SITES

ANNEX 2

The Ministry has revised the rule on the measurement of noise from construction sites.

2 Hitherto, noise is measured at 50 meters from the boundary of the construction site if the affected premises fall within 50 m from the boundary of the construction site; and 1 m in front of the affected premises if it is located more than 50 m from the boundary of the construction site. This rule applies to noise measured during the 'day' (i.e. 7am to 7pm) as well as during the 'night' (i.e. 7pm to 7am the next day).

3 Under the revised rule, between 7pm and 7am, noise will be measured at 1 m from the outside of the affected premises, regardless of where the premises is located. However, the permissible noise limits will remain unchanged. A summary of the noise levels construction sites are required to comply with under the new rule is shown in Annex I.

4 Although the law came into effect from 22 Feb 99, a grace period up to 31 May 99 will be given to the construction industry to comply with the new rule.

5 The Singapore Contractors Association Limited has been informed of the new rule. We will be grateful if you can also inform your members of the above.

Yours faithfully

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