MINISTRY OF THE ENVIRONMENT

CENTRAL BUILDING PLAN UNIT — POLLUTION CONTROL DEPARTMENT



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Dear Sire

SEWERAGE REQUIREMENT FOR A MINOR SEWER

Currently, Sewerage Department (SD) stipulates a minimum diameter of 150mm for minor sewers. These sewers are, however, prone to choke caused by hardened fats and grease and other solid materials such as rags, debris, etc, in them. As a result, sewage overflows from these choked minor sewers, thereby causing water pollution.

2 Besides stepping up surveillance and enforcement programme to minimise the discharge of fats and grease as well as the disposal of solid materials into minor sewers, SD has revised the minimum diameter for minor sewer from 150mm to 225mm. The revised requirement is applicable to pipes connecting the last inspection chambers of any premises to the public sewerage system. It does not, however, apply to the internal sanitary drainlines and Y-junction connections to existing 150mm diameter public sewers.

- 3 Please inform your members that the revised requirement will come into effect from 1 Sep 99. All new submission of detailed plans on sewerage or minor sewer submitted to CBPU on or after 1 Sep 99 would have to comply with this revised requirement.
- 4 Please do not hesitate to contact any of the following SD officers below if you or your members need clarification:

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Yours faithfully

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