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Dear Sir/Madam

### **PUBLIC VIEWS SOUGHT ON REVISED BARRIER-FREE ACCESSIBILITY CODE**

The Code Review Committee chaired by BCA was formed in November 2005 to review the Code on Barrier-Free Accessibility in Buildings 2002. The Committee comprising representatives from relevant government agencies, industry players and voluntary welfare organisations (see Annex A) aims to update the current Code to meet the needs of a larger group of users. Specifically, the objectives of the review are:

- a. To expand the scope from the barrier-free provisions for the buildings to the whole built environment.
- b. To incorporate new requirements for the purpose of improving accessibility at interfaces between buildings and from buildings to infrastructures.
- c. To provide elder-friendly features and other mandatory requirements for specific users.
- d. To update the current Code in response to feedback from the industry and to meet the need of users.

2 The review was completed and the draft of the revised Code was open for public feedback with effect from 1 July 2007. The draft of this **Code on Accessibility in the Built Environment 2007** can be downloaded from BCA website [www.bca.gov.sg](http://www.bca.gov.sg).

3 The Code Review Committee welcomes any feedback that you or your members may have on the draft Code. Such inputs would help the Committee to refine its recommendations before the revised Code is finalized for adoption. Any feedback or comment can be submitted via BCA's website [www.bca.gov.sg](http://www.bca.gov.sg) or



emailed to [bca\\_bfa\\_upgrading@bca.gov.sg](mailto:bca_bfa_upgrading@bca.gov.sg) or faxed to 63254437. The feedback / comment should reach this Committee **before or on 31 July 2007** and attention to:

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Yours faithfully

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c Code Review Committee members



## Annex A

### Members of the Code Review Committee

- 1) Government Agencies
  - a) Building and Construction Authority (BCA)
  - b) Housing and Development Board (HDB)
  - c) Land Transport Authority (LTA)
  - d) National Parks Board (NParks)
  - e) Urban Redevelopment Authority (URA)
  - f) Ministry of Community Development, Youth and Sports (MCYS)
  - g) National Council of Social Services (NCSS)
  
- 2) Voluntary Welfare Organisations
  - h) Handicaps Welfare Association (HWA)
  - i) Singapore Association of the Visually Handicapped (SAVH)
  - j) The Society for the Physically Disabled (SPD)
  - k) The Singapore Action Group of Elders (SAGE)
  - l) Asian Women's Welfare Association (AWWA)
  
- 3) Industry Players
  - m) Singapore Institute of Architects (SIA)
  - n) Singapore Institute of Landscape Architects (SILA)
  - o) Real Estate Developers' Association of Singapore (REDAS)

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