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Dear Sir

AMENDMENT TO STREET WORKS (WORKS ON PUBLIC STREETS) REGULATIONS

The Land Transport Authority (LTA) has completed a review of the Street Works (Works on Public Streets) Regulations recently. The aim of this review is to ensure that the Regulations are relevant to the current industrial practices and that they meet public expectations on safety of works on public streets.

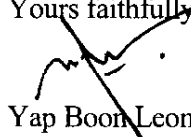
- 2 I would like to share with you the following changes to the Regulations:
- a) Change in definition of 'works' in the Regulations to expand the scope of works on public streets which will require road opening approval;
 - b) Inclusion of new groups of contractors who are registered with the Building Construction Authority (under categories approved by LTA). These contractors may be appointed to carry out works on public streets other than only civil engineering contractors;
 - c) Changes to the demerit point schedules in the Regulations that focus to improve road users' safety; and
 - d) Change of application fee for approval of works on public streets to reflect the current resources in processing road-opening application.

An extract of the amended Regulations is attached in Appendix I.

3 The amendments to the Regulations have been gazetted and came into effect on 23 June 2006. These changes were also announced at a seminar on "LTA.PROMPT & Policy Changes on Management of Road Works" organised by us on 23 June 2006. Please assist to disseminate this information to your members. It will be beneficial for them during their application for submission of road-opening works to LTA.

4 For enquiries on the changes, you may contact Mr Foo Say Yaw at Tel: 63962004 or Mr Soo Chang Chen at Tel: 63962098.

Yours faithfully


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Appendix I

I Application fee

- 5.** —(1) An application for the approval of the Authority for any works to be carried out on a public street shall —
 (c) be accompanied by —
 (i) an application fee of \$150;

II Definitions.

- "works" includes —
 (a) any construction work on a public street that is likely to affect the structural integrity and safe operation of any public street or road structure;
 (b) utility works within the meaning of section 2 of the Act;
 (c) street works within the meaning of section 2 of the Act;
 (d) any works that require occupation of a public street or that affect the flow of traffic; and
 (e) any works which are preparatory or incidental to any works referred to in paragraphs (a) to (d), such as the temporary storage or depositing of any building materials or debris, or the placing of any equipment or the erection of any temporary structure, on the public street on which the works are to be or are being carried out.

III Appointment of contractor to carry out works.

- 6.(2)** An applicant shall not appoint any person as a contractor to carry out any works on any public street unless that person is registered by the Building and Construction Authority as a contractor under a head of registration approved by the Authority.

IV THE SCHEDULE

		Regulation 9.
DEMERIT POINTS TO BE AWARDED FOR CERTAIN DEFAULTS		<i>Second column</i>
<i>First column</i>		
<i>Defaults</i>		<i>Number of demerit points awarded</i>
1. Deleted by S 348/2006, wef 23/06/2006.		
4. Where the requisite temporary road lines have not been drawn on the reinstated public street within 3 hours of the completion of the works		100.
5. Where permanent road lines are not drawn on the reinstated public street within 7 days of the completion of the works		100.
24. Carrying out road works during peak hours		150.

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| 25. Failing to submit a professional engineer's certification of supervision of completed temporary decking within 3 days of completion of the temporary decking and prior to opening for traffic use | 100. |
| 26. Where the skid resistance of the temporary decking system is less than 65 British Pendulum Number (BPN) | 100. |
| 27. Failing to provide mitigation measures to enhance skid resistance of the surface of temporary decking as instructed by the Authority | 100. |
| 28. Failing to inform the Authority of any defects of the temporary decking system | 100. |
| 29. Failing to submit monitoring result with a professional engineer's assessment in accordance with the Authority's requirement | 100. |
| 30. Failing to provide professional engineer's report and mitigating measures within the time frame stipulated by the Authority when the instrumentation readings breach any of the approved critical monitoring values, comprising alert values and work suspension values | 100. |
| 31. Failing to suspend work when the instrumentation readings breach the approved work suspension values | 400. |

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