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Dear Sirs

**INTRODUCTION OF GUIDE TO CARRYING OUT ENGINEERING WORKS
WITHIN ROAD STRUCTURE SAFETY ZONE AND ENGINEERING ACTIVITY
ON LAND ADJOINING PUBLIC STREETS**

Section 8A of the Street Works Act (SWA) stipulates that no person shall carry out any engineering works within road structure safety zone (RSSZ) unless prior approval has been obtained from the Authority. The Authority also has the power to order stoppage of activity in Section 8 of the SWA, when 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.

2 The increasing complexity of the construction activities particularly deep excavation works carried out in the vicinity of the road infrastructures pose considerable risks to the structural and operational safety of the road infrastructures. LTA will be revamping the existing regulatory framework and implementing the revised regulatory framework in stages to meet the objectives of enhancing safety of the road users.

3 In the first stage of implementation, we will be introducing a “Guide to Carrying Out Engineering Works within Road Structure Safety Zone and Engineering Activity on Land adjoining Public Streets” which will take effect on 28 January 2011. This guide highlights the procedure and requirements for submission of engineering works proposal within RSSZ to LTA for approval prior to commencement of works or notification to LTA of the intent to carry out engineering activity on land adjoining public streets. It would be useful to contractors, civil engineers and any people who intend to carry construction or engineering activities affecting road infrastructures. The guide is available at the LTA website (www.lta.gov.sg).

4 With the introduction of the “Guide to Carrying Out Engineering Works within Road Structure Safety Zone and Engineering Activity on Land adjoining Public Streets”, the “Street Works Proposal Relating To Development Works” will be amended.

5 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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