

Fire Safety Standards Advisory Group (FSSAG)

Matters Discussed in the 6th FSSAG Meeting (held on 22.9.2005)

1. Inspection Procedures for Staircase Pressurization System

The FSD Circular Letter would be prepared as no further comment was received.

2. Proposed Generic Design for Fuel Oil System for Upper Floor Generators

Revised proposal was awaited from HKIE.

3. Guidelines on VAC Control Systems

The FSD Circular Letter was being prepared for the promulgation of the guidelines.

4. Fire Protection Requirements in Construction Sites

Comments from the industry had been received and the relevant designs were under internal vetting of FSD

5. New Arrangement for the Submission of Fire Service Installation Drawings for New Developments

The trial of the new arrangement started in May 2005 and would end in November 2005.

6. CoPs for Minimum FSI and Equipment and Inspection, Testing and Maintenance of Installations and Equipment

Printing of hard copy in Chinese and English was completed while soft copy could be downloaded from the website of the FSD.

7. Graphical Symbol Exit Signs to be Used in Hong Kong

The 1st sub working group meeting was held on 31.8.2005.

8. Standard Testing Arrangement for Street Fire Hydrants

The FSICA was preparing draft checklist which would be distributed for comment.

9. Impact of Reduced Town Main Water Supply Pressure on FSIs

After discussion with the officer of WSD, the information of actual water pressure in mains in various zones of Hong Kong was still not made known to the members.

10. Review of Specifications for Automatic Sprinkler Installations

Sub working group meetings were still carried out as scheduled to work on the recommendations.

11. Clarification of Circular Letters

To deliberate the ways of incorporating the FSD Circular Letters into the future new CoPs, the Chairman suggested to form a sub working group to take up the task in the course of review on the new CoP.

12. Locations of Manual Call Points (MCP) according to BS 5839: Part 1:1988

The ArchSD was preparing standard drawings showing the locations of MCP for standard schools for the consideration of the FSD.

13. Consultation Paper on “Third Party Certification and Product Certification Scheme”

FSICA showed no objection to the product certification scheme while further clarification was required for 3rd Party Certification Scheme.

14. Fire Resistant Cable for AFA System

It was clarified that only power cables were required to comply with the requirements of the FSD Circular Letter no. 1/2003 while it was not applicable to monitoring cables.

15. Information Paper on Revision of Requirements for Emergency Lighting

The information paper was tabled for discussion. Comments were invited from members.

16. Information Paper on Weight Limit of Portable Fire Extinguisher (PE)

The information paper was tabled for discussion. Comments were invited from members.