

**Summary of Notes of Dangerous Goods Standing Committee Meeting
held on 30 September 2016**

Matters of Discussion

1. Review of Dangerous Goods Ordinance (DGO) / Regulations

Progress of the review:

➤ Dangerous Goods (General) Regulation

A paper had been prepared for seeking endorsement on a proposed technical amendment to the extant Cap. 295B in order to facilitate the industry to comply with the regulations before the revamped regulations come into operation.

As regards the review of the procedure of cylinder approval under r.64 of Cap 295B, a separate Working Group was conducting research and analysis on overseas practices and regulations on cylinder approval.

➤ Dangerous Goods (Shipping) Regulation

The amendments to DG(S)R, including the introduction of new regulations to mandate reporting of DG leakage incidents to MD, following a gas leakage incident at Yau Ma Tei Typhoon Shelter in March, would soon be discussed.

2. Refrigerant

As regards the proposal prepared by ENB / EMSD on the regulatory regimes for the flammable refrigerants, FSD had held a meeting with SB to discuss and clarify the issues raised in the proposal. As EMSD would submit a coordinated progress report to the Ombudsman in early November, FSD would keep in view the progress.

3. Tank on Trailers

FSD had sorted out a list of competent persons including Registered Professional Engineers in Marine & Naval Architecture Discipline, Mechanical Discipline, or Marine Surveyor having practical experience in conducting tank inspections, who would be consulted on the draft “Guidelines for Testing and Inspecting Tank Wagons for Conveyance of Category 5 Dangerous Goods” before sending to the Innovation and Technology Commission for advice.