

Summary of Notes of Dangerous Goods Standing Committee Meeting held on 27.3.2006

Matters of Discussion

1.1 Review of Dangerous Goods Ordinance (DGO) / Regulations

Progress of the review:

➤ **Dangerous Goods (General) Regulation**

The draft was being studied by the Law Drafting Officer. A recent survey revealed that the requirements under the draft Regulations were generally in line with the current practice and the proposed implementation of use licence would not have significant impact on the trade.

➤ **Dangerous Goods (Application and Exemption) Regulation**

Comments on the 5th draft were under final vetting by the DGO Working Group before onward submission to the Department of Justice.

➤ **Dangerous Goods (Packing and Labelling) Regulation**

Comments on Part III of the Regulation in respect of “Approval of Design Type of Packages” were under final vetting by the DGO Working Group before onward submission to the Department of Justice.

➤ **Dangerous Goods (Shipping) Regulation**

Drafting in progress.

1.2 Code of Practice for the Storage and Use of Special Gases in Micro-electronics Industry

Chinese translation was being arranged and the work was expected to complete in two months.

1.3 Dangerous Goods List

The presentation of information regarding exempt quantities and dangerous goods in consumer packs on the lists was being studied in consultation with the Department of Justice and the Government Laboratory.

1.4 Revision of Fees and Charges

The revised fees would be implemented in July 2006 tentatively.

1.5 Realignment and Establishment of Anchorages

Adjustment of the boundaries of the Western Dangerous Goods Anchorage came into effect on 1 February 2006.

1.6 Five-day Week in the Government

Members supported the proposed implementation of ‘five-day work week’ in offices providing non-essential services in FSD.