## Summary of Notes of Liaison Meeting between FSD and the Association of Registered Fire Service Installation Contractors of HK Ltd (FSICA) <u>held on 22.10.2009</u>

## 1.1 Improvement of Fire Safety under the Fire Safety (Commercial Premises) Ordinance

Members were briefed on the latest inspection statistics.

## 1.2 Checking the Standard of Maintenance Works Carried Out by Registered Fire Service Installation Contractors (RFSIC)

Members were briefed on the latest statistics related to the surprise checks carried out by FSD.

### **1.3** Proposal to Improve Fire Safety in Private Buildings

Members were briefed on the latest enforcement statistics.

## 1.4 Third-party Certification / Product Certification / Product Listing Schemes

Consultation paper was being revised to incorporate the feedbacks and comments from stakeholders collected in the last consultation exercise.

### **1.5 Field Study on Unwanted AFA Calls**

FSD Circular Letter 2/2009-Sounder Bases of Smoke Detectors in Hotels/Guesthouses and Student Hostels was issued on 31.7.2009. The requirements stipulated in the circular took effect from 1.9.2009 for all initial building plan submissions received by the Department.

### 1.6 Capacity building workshop for RFSICs

FSICA was working with ICAC to provide training talks for RFSICs.

# **1.7** Japan's Quality Assurance System at Component Level for Fire System Maintenance

FSICA briefed Members on the quality assurance of Japan's fire safety maintenance system. FSICA was requested to explore how the system could be adopted in the local setting.

#### 1.8 Glass-fronted Metal Casing on Emergency Exit Door

FSD had sent advisory letters and memos to government departments and major organisations for taking necessary rectification actions for glass-fronted metal casing on emergency exit door, if any. FHAN actions had been taken against those non-compliance cases with effect from September 2009.

#### **1.9** Safety Issues on Compressed Gas System

Members had concerns about the safety of handling gaseous fire suppression system. Members noted that whilst advices or reminders such as advisory letters could be sent to the industry to assist their monitoring of the issue, the safety of employees was under the Labour Department's programme areas of occupational safety and health services. Labour Department would be referred to for suitable advice.

### 2.0 FSICA's Proposal for Locking Devices of Sprinkler Subsidiary Valves

Members were briefed on the revised design of the locking devices of sprinkler subsidiary valves.