

Summary of Notes of 27th Ventilation Installations Liaison Group Meeting

(held on 27.1.2011)

1 Pre-insulated Duct System

FSD explained the draft Circular Letter on pre-insulated duct and highlighted that sprinklers were to be provided at 3 m interval along the pre-insulated duct installed in places covered by sprinkler system. Different views were received and some members worried that the sprinkler provision would cause both technical and economic problems especially in renovation projects due to the routing of the additional sprinkler pipes which would incur extra cost and lengthen the installation programme.

Since there was queries from the trade, it was agreed that the draft Circular Letter was to be re-circulated to all members for their further comment before finalising.

2 Inspection of VAC System for Licensed Premises

Queries were raised on several sketches illustrating some common cases of VAC arrangement. FSD would hold meeting to discuss with the trade.

3 Inspection of Fire Dampers in New Building before Occupation

FSD reported that random inspection of fire dampers in four new buildings had been conducted and extensive flaws on the installation works were found in one of them. The inspection results were sent to BD for their consideration.

4 AIC Audit Check

FSD pointed out that there were mistakes found in some of the AICs received. Some examples were i) the putting down of observations e.g. “no flange found” in lieu of “damper not securely fixed” and ii) provision of an inspection checklist in lieu of a defect list. It was reiterated that AIC was an official document and RSC(V)s should fill in the document properly.

5 Publicity of Annual Inspection of Ventilating Systems

FSD drew members' attention that a message on “Annual Inspection of Ventilating Systems in Buildings/Premises” was aired recently in radio and TV channels and requested the trade to assist in promoting fire safety in the territories by disseminating it to owners of buildings/premises, incorporated owners and the general public. Members were also invited to collect posters and leaflets from FSD for display or distribution to their clients.