

Summary of Notes of 38th Ventilation Installations Liaison Group Meeting

(held on 24.10.2013)

1 Pre-insulated Duct System

FSD reported that the member did not have comment on the revised draft of FSD Circular Letter on pre-insulated panels used for air ducts. The revised draft Circular Letter would be submitted to the FSD management for deliberation.

2 Inspection of VAC System for Licensed Premises

FSD reported that the proposed revised schematic drawings related to VAC requirements in food premises were submitted to members of the FSSAG in the October 2013 meeting for their comment. Any comments received would be forwarded to VILG members for further discussion.

3 Inspection of Ventilating System in New Building before Occupation

It was stated that the PNRC 25 “Submission of Certificate of Completion of Building Works and Schedule of Building Materials and Products” of Buildings Department (BD) effective from September 2013 required RSC(V) to sign Appendix A - Certificate of Accepted Building Materials and Products to certify the fire dampers installed in new buildings are in a safe and efficient working order and the process appeared to be running smoothly. FSD stated that in general, no audit inspection would be carried out by FSD on ventilating system installed for new buildings.

4 Revised Registered Fire Engineer Scheme on the Implementation of Third Party Fire Safety Certification

FSD would monitor the progress of the Scheme and reported to the members as appropriate.

5 Annual Inspection of Ventilating System

It was stated a pop up page on “Annual Inspection of Fire Services Installation and Equipment” was found in FSD web page and asked whether similar promotion of annual inspection of ventilating system would be set up. FSD would consider.

6. Fire Damper Standards

It was pointed out the standards for fire dampers listed in BD’s “CoP for Fire Safety in Buildings 2011” were different from that of FSD Circular Letter No. 4/96. FSD stated that BD’s CoP also accepted the relevant BS Standards as specified in FSD’s CoP and Circular Letter until they are obsolete or superseded by the BS EN/ISO Standards. In general, FSD would accept international/national standards which are equivalent to the existing BS Standards.