Summary of Notes of Dangerous Goods Standing Committee Meeting held on 26.6.2008

Matters of Discussion

1.1 Review of Dangerous Goods Ordinance (DGO) / Regulations

Progress of the review:

Dangerous Goods (General) Regulation

A proposal on the role and definition of "consignor" had been forwarded to the Department of Justice for clearance.

Dangerous Goods (Application and Exemption) Regulation

The Department of Justice's comments on the second draft was still awaited.

Dangerous Goods (Packing and Labelling) Regulation

A proposal on the requirements for conveyance, sale and storage of DG in packaged form was being prepared and would be submitted to the Department of Justice for clearance.

Dangerous Goods (Shipping) Regulation

The second draft had been completed by the Department of Justice.

1.2 Progress Report on the Investigation of the Buncefield Oil Depot Fire and Explosion Incident

No further report on the above incident had been released. Safety checklists were being collected from major oil depot / installation operators.

1.3 "Be the Smart Regulator" Programme – Revision of Fire Service Requirements for Licensing of DG Store and DG Vehicle

In addition to the review of the above fire safety requirements, a "Guide to Application for Dangerous Goods Licence" was being drafted.