

**Summary of Notes of Dangerous Goods Standing Committee Meeting
held on 17 January 2019**

Matters of Discussion

1. Review of Dangerous Goods Ordinance (DGO) / Regulations

Progress of the review:

➤ Dangerous Goods (General) Regulation

The Draft Drafting Instructions (DDIs) for the consequential amendments arising from the legislative amendments to the DGO and its subsidiary legislation were circulated to all relevant bureaux and departments by Security Bureau (SB) for comment. The Working Group (WG) would liaise with SB to review the DDIs after receiving comments from all relevant government bureaux/departments.

Subsequent to the submission of Drafting Instructions (DIs) for amendments to DG(G)R and DG(A&E)R 2012 to Department of Justice (DoJ), the WG had conducted a briefing to the Law Drafting Officers of DoJ to facilitate the drafting process.

➤ Dangerous Goods (Shipping) Regulation

There was no update to report.

2. Testing Standards of Static Tanks for Storage of Category 5, Class 1 & 2 Dangerous Goods in Bulk

No further comments on the DGSC Paper had been received from members after the consultation period. In this regard, the FSD Circular Letter No. 3/2018 had been issued. The revised testing standards would come into effect from 1.4.2019.

3. Review on Local Private Dangerous Goods Warehouses

To cope with FSD's law enforcement actions in combating illicit fuelling activities, handling illegal DG storages and fire hazard complaints, there was an imminent need for having a government DG

warehouse to accommodate enforcement capacity in a long run.

4. Voluntary Mutual Aid Scheme of Oil Companies

Members were generally supportive of the voluntary mutual aid scheme of which the participating oil companies and utility service providers would provide foam concentrates to FSD for firefighting purpose in case of oil farm incidents.