Summary of Notes of Dangerous Goods Standing Committee Meeting <u>held on 26 September 2019</u>

Matters of Discussion

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

Progress of the review:

Dangerous Goods (General) Regulations (DG(G)R)

FSD's response to the 5th working draft of the Dangerous Goods (Application and Exemption) Regulations 2012 (DG(A&E)R 2012) was reverted to Security Bureau (SB). It was proposed to provide further exemption for certain substances regulated by Department of Health under Pharmacy and Poisons Ordinance, Cap. 138 and Chinese Medicine Ordinance, Cap. 549.

FSD's response to the 5th working draft of the DG(G)R together with the comments from Civil Engineering and Development Department (CEDD) and Marine Department (MD) was reverted to Department of Justice (DoJ) via SB.

Mines Division of CEDD had issued a consultation paper on Proposed Amendments to the DG(G)R, Cap. 295B and DG(A&E)R 2012, Cap. 295E related to Category 1 Dangerous Goods to seek views and comments from the industry and members of the public.

Dangerous Goods (Shipping) Regulations

There was no update to report.

2. Review on Fire Safety Requirements for Dangerous Goods Vehicles (DGVs)

Consultations on Fire Safety Requirements for DGVs would be conducted by engaging the trade and local stakeholders in the coming months and relevant implementation plans would be further discussed.

3. Mobile Payment at Petrol Filling Station (PFS)

FSD raised no objection to an application regarding the use of mobile payment apps at PFS. The mobile payment could be used in the convenient stores of PFS and inside driving cabins of the vehicles subject to certain conditions.

FSD kept an open mind on the use of mobile payment technology at PFS without compromising fire safety and welcomed the trade to provide their proposals to FSD for further consideration.

4. Safe Operation of Petrol Filling Station (PFS)

Taken into consideration of the increased risk of damaging the PFS in recent social activities, FSD had reminded all local oil companies to take additional protection measures to strengthen the security and safety of PFS as well as major oil installations. In this regard, FSD issued a list of fire safety advice to all oil companies in respect of handling violent incidents during public order events.