Summary of Notes of 24th Ventilation Installations Liaison Group Meeting (held on 29.4.2010)

1 Notices for Submission of Annual Inspection Certificates (AIC)

A total of 60 AICs with mistakes were received in the past 3 months with 9 nos. on item 7 – Address not tally with record and 20 nos. on item 8 – Premises type missing/incorrect,.

2 Third Party Fire Safety Certification Scheme

The comments from various bureaus / government departments on the scheme were being studied.

3 Pre-insulated Duct System

A draft requirements on "Pre-insulated Panels Used for the Fabrication of Air Ducts in Mechanical Ventilating / Air-conditioning Systems" was circulated to members for comments. The trade would provide overseas job references of the pre-insulated panels in the ventilating / air-conditioning system in support of its application in HK.

4 <u>Certification of Ventilating System in New Building</u>

It was proposed that FSD would, upon request from BD, arrange inspection of fire dampers of ventilating system in new buildings and the inspection results would be passed to BD for their consideration. BD was now considering issuing a practice note on the pilot scheme to inspect ventilating system in new buildings before occupation and a grace period would be given before its implementation.

5 Uploading of Past Circular letters and General letters

All the old Circular Letters on Ventilating Systems and general letters to RSC(V)s had been uploaded to the FSD web site. FSD reminded that RSC(V)s should be cautious in preparing AICs for old buildings with reference to the old Circular Letters. AIC should not be classified as "defective" if the defect was not justifiable according to the fire safety requirements prevailing at the time of building completion.

6 AIC Audit Check

Several opinions on selection of AICs with defects and good AICs for audit inspection were discussed. FSD would consider the views.

7 Fire Damper for Ventilation Duct facing Light Well

Queries were raised on the need for protecting a ventilation opening facing a light well by fire damper and illustrated with a drawing. FSD would clarify the issue with BD.

8 Non-proprietary Made Fire Damper

FSD reiterated that that individual assessment or certification of non-proprietary made fire dampers would not be made. FSD would not restrain RSC(V)s from producing letters of their own to declare that installed non-proprietary made fire dampers were constructed in accordance with the details stipulated in Part XI of FSD Circular Letter No. 4/96.