Summary of Notes of 32nd Ventilation Installations Liaison Group Meeting (held on 25.4.2012)

1 Pre-insulated Duct System

Comments from HKACRA and FSICA on additional sprinkler provision for pre-insulated duct system were received and reviewed by FSD. It was opined that the proposed requirement of additional sprinklers for the pre-insulated ductwork should be waived and it would be desirable to set up a proper guideline for the trade to follow as soon as possible.

2 Inspection of VAC System for Licensed Premises

The revised schematic drawings relating to VAC requirements in licensed premises were completed and would be sent to members for comments.

3 Inspection of Fire Dampers in New Building before Occupation

FSD stated that there was no specific follow up inspection arrangements for those new buildings under the above trial scheme. FSD would follow the current practice of random selection of buildings/premises for inspections unless otherwise specified and requested by BD.

It was suggested that the trial scheme should continue and this would make the developer/consultant/contractor aware of the importance of proper installation of ventilating system to fire safety in new buildings. FSD stated that the inspection results and findings of the trial scheme had been passed to BD for their consideration and follow up actions.

4 Annual Inspection of Ventilating Systems in Scheduled Premises

FSD reported that the renewal procedures for food premises licence was still under review.

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

FSD would keep in view of the issue and report to members on the development.

6 FSD Integrated Licensing, Fire Safety and Prosecution System (LIFIPS)

FSD reported that the LIFIPS computer system had been fully launched in April 2012. Some teething problems occurred during its early stage of system implementation were resolved and improvement works would be carried out as needed.