Summary of Notes of 40th Ventilation Installations Liaison Group Meeting (held on 24.4.2014)

1. **Pre-insulated Duct System**

The Chairman reported that the Chinese draft version had been finalized with minor touch up in view of consistency of legislative wording while the content remained unchanged. The Chairman advised that the final draft would be circulated to all members for endorsement in May, 2014 via e-mail.

2. <u>VAC Control System for Licensed Premises</u>

The Chairman reported that the draft circular letter had been submitted to the FSD Management for deliberation as no further comments were received from members of FSSAG and VILG.

One of the members reported that the inspection requirement about the electrical interlock arrangement of exhaust air fan and fresh air supply fan for kitchen ventilating system under License Premises had been resolved and clarified verbally. He advised that exhaust air fan should be started before starting fresh air fan, or starting both exhaust air fan and fresh air fan together. When exhaust air fan was being shut down, the fresh air fan must be shut down together by the electrical interlock. The Chairman reminded that the proposed draft circular letter had clearly stated the requirement of electrical interlock for any ventilating system over 1,000 l/s fan capacity in food premises if exemption from installation of V/AC control system was required.

3. <u>Inspection of Ventilating Systems in New Buildings before Occupation</u>

BD had issued PNRC25 "Submission of Certificate of Completion of Building Works and Schedule of Building Materials and Products" in September 2013. In according to PNRC25, the requirement of certifying the newly installed fire dampers by a RSC(V) had taken effect on 9.9.2013 except for buildings or building works which were being carried out or consent to which had been given on or before this date. The Chairman requested HKRVCA to advise on any implementation problems once the first batch of new buildings with newly installed fire dampers under this new requirement were certified by members of HKRVCA.

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

The Chairman reported that the new legislation bill was anticipated to be submitted to LegCo in late 2016.

5. **Annual Inspection of Ventilating System**

The Chairman advised that Ventilation Division will overall review publicity so as to enhance publicity for implementation the Annual Inspection of Ventilating Systems, FSD would further follow up with Management for consideration.

6. **Fire Damper Standards**

The Chairman advised that the requirements of fire and smoke damper may vary between BD and FSD due to different applications. FSD had met BD and explained on FSD's requirements. BD was fully aware of the situation.

7. Common Mistake and Mal-practice of AIC submissions

Mr CHAN Hoi-pan reported that VD would arrange colleagues to attend the seminar organized by HKRVCA in HKPC on 21.5.2014 from 2pm-5pm. VD would present a topic regarding some common mistakes and mal-practices which were observed recently, such as wrong addresses, wrong locations, missing Authorized Signatory (AS) and also the application of e-AIC. By the same seminar, VD would announce that any submission using the AIC old form would not be accepted on or after 21.11.2014.