Summary of Notes of 54th Ventilation Installations Liaison Group Meeting (held on 15.12.2017)

1. Electrical Interlock and VAC Control System for Licensed Food Premises

Comments on the proposal on Interlock and VAC Control System had been received from members. The relevant amendments would be updated for further comment.

2. <u>Use of Pre-insulated Panels for the Construction of Air Ducts in Mechanical Ventilating System</u>

The Chairman advised that comments on an application for the acceptance of the Department for the use of pre-insulated panels as air ducts was issued. The application would be further reviewed upon receipt of clarifications and outstanding supporting documents from the applicant.

3. Protection requirements against fire and smoke in protected areas

The Chairman advised that the case studies prepared by HKRVCA were good reference for understanding the requirements under Part XI, Clause 5.3 of FSD Circular Letter No. 4/96. However it was obvious that not all scenarios could be comprehensively covered and some cases presented were irrelevant to the requirements stipulated in the above Circular Letter and Cap. 123J. To prevent misleading, it was generally agreed that the above case studies would not be included in the meeting minutes. After further discussion, members agreed to stock-take previous cases with enquiries on this subjects for future review. Nevertheless, members could seek assistance from Ventilation Division of FSD on the clarification of the requirement if needed.

4. Registered Fire Engineer (RFE) Scheme

The Chairman advised that a consultation paper prepared by the Department had been issued to relevant stakeholders of the trades. Views on the scheme were being sought for consolidation in mid-January 2018.