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Distribution: To all Licensed Plumbers

Dear Sir,

WSD Circular Letter 2/92

Waterworks Regulation Part V

Licensing of Plumbers

As you have been aware from recent press releases the Waterworks (Amendment) Regulation 1992 was made on 2 October 1992 and I wish to draw your attention the following changes to Regulations 33 to 35 which cover the application/issue/renewal of plumber's licences;

- (i) The existing examination system for licensing of plumbers will be abandoned on 2 October 1993 and thereafter all applicants for plumbers' licence must possess the following qualifications:-
 - (a) Craft Certificate in Plumbing and Pipefitting Course (Course 0266 or 0286) issued by the Vocational Training Council after 1987; or
 - (b) Plumbing Craft Certificate issued by the City and Guilds of London; or
 - (c) a Fellow or Member of the Institution of Plumbing of the United Kingdom;
- and (d) Certificate in Plumbing Services (Hong Kong) Course (Course 5267) issued by the Vocational Training Council.
- (ii) No new Grade II plumbers' licence will be issued on and after 2 October 1993. Existing Grade II licences may, however, be renewed after that day.
- (iii) An applicant for a plumber's licence or for the renewal of the licence has to attend <u>in</u> <u>person</u> in order to collect the licence or renewed licence.

- (iv) If a licensed plumber fails to renew his licence for 5 or more years, the Water Authority shall not renew his licence unless the Water Authority is satisfied that the applicant for renewal has adequate knowledge of:-
 - (a) the type of work involved in respect of the licence which is sought to be renewed; and
 - (b) the provisions of the Ordinance relating to such work.

The applicant may be required to pass an examination and charged for the examination fee.

(v) Any person not being a licensed plumber, who carries on business of plumbing and employs a licensed plumber shall no longer be deemed to be a licensed plumber.

Yours faithfully,

Signed

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(with Chinese Translation)

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Hong Kong Plumbing and Sanitary Ware Trade Association Ltd

The Association of Registered Fire Services Installation

Contractor of Hong Kong

Hong Kong & Kowloon Ironwork Workers Union

Hong Kong Construction Industry Employees General Union

Hong Kong Licensed Plumbers Association Ltd

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