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Distribution: To all Licensed Plumbers and Authorized Persons

Dear Sirs.

## WSD Circular Letter No. 1/2022 Assessment of Licensed Plumbers' Performance in 2022 under the Penalty and Demerit Point System

Under the Penalty and Demerit Point System (PDPS) promulgated via WSD Circular Letter No. 8/2019, the Licensing Authority (LA) would make an assessment of the performance of each LP in January every year based on the total penalty and demerit points received by him/her under the plumbing projects completed in the prior year. One penalty point would be commuted as 2 demerit points for the purpose of the performance assessment. An LP who received an annual average total commuted demerit points (including the demerit points commuted from penalty points) of "18 or above" would be regarded as an under-performer. Under the Circular Letter No. 2/2021, the criterion for under-performer was adjusted from an annual average total commuted demerit potions of "18 or above" to "10 or above". The performance of under-performers would be subjected to regular review by Water Supplies Department (WSD).

### **Adoption of the Same Criterion for Assessing Under-performers**

2. The LA conducted an assessment in early 2022 on the performances of LPs with plumbing projects completed in 2021, and found that the percentage of LPs that





regarded as under-performers in 2020 and 2021 is comparable under the current criterion. It is thus considered that the current criterion for assessing under-performers is effective and has achieved its purpose to enhance the performance management of LPs. After consulting the Advisory Board on Licensing of Plumbers and Technical Committee on Plumbing, the LA has decided that the same criterion for assessing under-performers adopted in 2021 (i.e. annual average total commuted demerit points of 10 or above) under the PDPS is to be adopted for assessing the performance of LPs in 2022.

#### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

3. The same criterion for assessing under-performers adopted in 2021 (i.e. annual average total commuted demerit points of "10 or above") as mentioned in paragraph 2 above will apply to the LA's performance assessment of all plumbing projects completed/to be completed on or after 1 January 2022.

#### **ENQUIRY**

4. Should you have any enquiry, please contact our Engineer/Technical Support (2) at telephone no. 2829 4484.

Yours faithfully,

(Original signed)

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for Water Authority

(with Chinese translation)

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Housing Department (Attn: SM/QM)

**Buildings Department** 

**Architectural Services Department** 

Fire Services Department

The Hong Kong Housing Society

The Hong Kong Institute of Architects

The Hong Kong Institution of Engineers

The Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors

The Chartered Institute of Plumbing and Heating Engineering – Hong Kong Council Hong Kong Plumbing and Sanitary Ware Trade Association Ltd.

Hong Kong Licensed Plumbing Professionals Association Ltd.

Hong Kong Plumbing General Union

Hong Kong Water Works Professionals Association Ltd.

The Hong Kong Institution of Plumbing and Drainage Ltd.

Plumbing Technology Student Association

The Association of Registered Fire Service Installation Contractors of Hong Kong Limited

Real Estate Developers Association of Hong Kong

Hong Kong Institute of Vocational Education

Hong Kong Institute of Construction, Construction Industry Council

The Hong Kong Construction Association, Ltd

Hong Kong General Building Contractors Association Ltd

The Hong Kong Federation of Electrical & Mechanical Contractors Ltd

Contractor's Authorised Signatory Association Ltd

Registered Minor Works Contractor Signatory Association Ltd

Hong Kong Registered Contractors Association Company Ltd

Building Services Operation and Maintenance Executives Society

The Hong Kong Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Association Ltd

Hong Kong Licensed Plumbers Union Limited

Hong Kong Metropolitan University Li Ka Shing School of Professional and Continuing Education

The Association of Electrical and Mechanical Engineering (Hong Kong) Ltd

Pipeman Engineering (International) Limited

Hong Kong Institute of Water and Sanitation Safety

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