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To Authorized Persons, Licensed Plumbers.

Dear Sirs.

Provision of Proper Protection to Galvanized Iron Pipes Encased in Concrete

Occasionally, it is discovered that G.I. pipes laid underground are not adequately wrapped with hessian or other suitable materials as required by Waterworks Regulation 22 which states as follows:-

"A pipe made of galvanized wrought iron or steel if laid under the ground shall be installed in such a manner that it does not come into contact with concrete, cement mortar, lime mortar or plaster and shall be protected against such contact by wrapping it with hessian or other suitable material and coating it with bitumen or where such pipe passes through a wall or suspended floor it may be protected against such contact by being carried through a sleeve or by some other suitable means."

This office is very concerned about the general negligence of the above regulation and is therefore writing to invite your particular attention to the necessity of exercising your initiative to ensure a strict compliance of the requirements.

This circular also serves as a reminder to those who, either deliberately or unintentionally, fail to observe the regulation that they will have their names suspended or removed from the list of the registered licensed plumbers.

Yours faithfully,

Signed

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