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To: All Authorised Persons, Fire Service Installation Engineers

& Contractors,
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Dear Sirs.

Fire Services in Buildings

This is to inform you that fire service installations for any proposed development which are intended to be fed from the Government mains must be based, designed and constructed so as to be completely independent of other water supply arrangements within the building. This will necessitate separate fire service connection, sump tank, pumps, storage tanks, etc., as required.

Similarly, if the need arises for conversion to mains water supply of an existing arrangement utilising an independent source (e.g. a well), these conditions will have to be observed.

These requirements are necessary in order to permit the Water Authority to exercise adequate control over such services, including that of abuse, as provided for under the Waterworks Ordinance and Regulations, 1974. The requirements will take effect immediately and will apply to all proposals which have not received Water Authority approval prior to the date of this letter.

The requirement in no way affects the authority of the Director of Fire Services whose approval will be also necessary for any works constituting the fire service beyond its connection to the Government main

Yours faithfully,

Signed

(W. T. Knight) for Water Authority

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