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To: All Registered Surveyors

### CHANGES ON APPLICATIONS FOR PRACTISING CERTIFICATE AND LICENCE

Under the Land Surveyors (Amendment) Act 2004 (Cap 156) and the Land Surveyors (Amendment) Rules 2005 which come into operation on 31.3.05, amendments are made to the applications for practising certificate and licence.

2 The changes on the application for a practising certificate are:

- (a) the Continuing Professional Development (CPD) is added as a new condition for applying for practising certificate. Any registered surveyor applying for a practising certificate shall submit evidence that he has complied with or is exempt from the rules relating to CPD. His application must be accompanied by the CPD Programme form duly completed and signed by him. Details of the CPD programme are in LSB Circular No. 3/2005;
- (b) the restriction that the applicant must a resident of Singapore is abolished; and
- (c) the application fee for a practising certificate is revised to \$300.

3 The changes on the application for a licence are:

3.1 For limited corporation:

- (a) The following conditions are removed:
  - (i) the director of the corporation shall be a registered surveyor or an allied professional;
  - (ii) not less than two-thirds, or such lower portion as the Minister may specify in relation to any particular corporation, of each class of shares of the corporation shall be beneficially owned by and registered in the names of the registered surveyors and / or allied professionals who are either directors, managers or employees of the corporation;

- (iii) the director of the corporation controlling and managing the survey work in Singapore is a registered surveyor ordinarily resident in Singapore; and
  - (iv) the director is a registered owner of at least one share of the corporation.
- (b) In relation to para 3.1(a)(i) and (ii) above, a new condition is substituted. It requires that the articles of association of the corporation provide that a prescribed number or proportion of the directors of the corporation shall be registered surveyors or allied professionals. The term “prescribed number or proportion of the directors” means –
- (i) a majority of the directors, where no number or proportion is specified under para 3.1(b)(ii) below; or
  - (ii) such number or proportion of the directors as the Minister may, by notification in the Gazette, specify for the purposes of section 22(1) of the Act.
- (c) In relation to para 3.1(a)(iii) and (iv) above, the new conditions substituted are that:
- (i) the director controlling and managing the survey work, is a registered surveyor who has in force a practising certificate; and
  - (ii) he is authorised under a resolution of the board of directors of the corporation to make all final survey decisions on behalf of the corporation with respect to the requirements of the Land Surveyors Act, the rules or any other law relating to the supply of survey services by the corporation.

### 3.2 For unlimited corporation:

Section 22(2) of the Act on the conditions for the Board to grant a licence to any unlimited corporation is deleted. It is substituted with the followings:

Subject to the provisions of the Act, the Board may grant a licence to any unlimited corporation to supply survey services if -

- (a) the memorandum of association of the corporation provides that a primary object of the corporation is to supply survey services;
- (b) the articles of association of the corporation provide that-
  - (i) no person shall be a director of the corporation unless he is either a registered surveyor or an allied professional; and
  - (ii) no person shall be registered as a member of the corporation unless he is –
    - (A) a registered surveyor or an allied professional; or a nominee of such a person; and
    - (B) a director, a manager or an employee of the corporation; and
- (c) the business of the corporation, so far as it relates to survey work in Singapore, will be under the control and management of a director of the corporation who-
  - (i) is a registered surveyor who has in force a practising certificate;

- (ii) is a member, or a registered owner of at least one share, of the corporation, and
- (iii) is authorised under a resolution of the board of directors of the corporation to make all final survey decisions on behalf of corporation with respect to the requirements of the Land Surveyors Act, the rules or any other law relating to supply of survey services by the corporation.

3.3 For partnership:

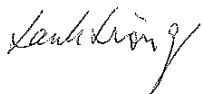
The condition on residency in Singapore for the registered surveyor who is the partner controlling and managing the survey work in Singapore, is removed.

3.4 Corresponding changes are made to the numbering of subsections quoted in Section 22(4) (a) and (b) relating to granting a licence to any corporation or partnership to provide survey services in Singapore if the corporation or partnership has in force a licence granted under the Architects Act or the Professional Engineers Act.

3.5 Consequential amendments are also made to Sections 23 and 24 of the Act.

3.6 The application fee for a licence is revised to \$500.

4 The application forms for practising certificate and licence are posted on the Board's website at <http://www.minlaw.gov.sg/lrb>. The CPD Programme form is posted on the SISV's website at <http://www.sisv.org.sg>.



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