27 April 2010

All Registered Lift Contractors and Engineers

Dear Sirs,

**Circular No. 8/2010**

**Safety Precautions in Carrying out Lift Works in the Lift Shaft**

In light of the recent fatal accident in the lift shaft, this Circular serves to remind you to take necessary safety precaution measures in carrying out any lift works, particularly involving lift works in the lift shaft. Under the Lifts and Escalators (Safety) Ordinance (Cap 327), only competent lift workers employed by registered lift contractor may carry out lift works including lift maintenance services without supervision. You should pay special attention to the safety precaution measures of any lift works stipulated in the Code of Practice for Lift Works and Escalator Works (the “Works Code”) and take adequate precautions to prevent injury to any workers involved.

You are also reminded to employ competent workers to carry out and supervise lift works. Further to Circular 4/2010, you are requested to provide us with a quarterly update of competent workers employed by you with immediate effect.

Yours faithfully,

(W.S. CHUI)

for Director of Electrical and Mechanical Services

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cc. Director of Housing
Director of Architectural Services
The Lift and Escalator Contractors Association
The Registered Elevator and Escalator Contractors Association Limited
The International Association of Elevator Engineers
The Hong Kong General Union of Lift and Escalator Employees

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