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All Registered Lift/Escalator Contractors  
All Registered Lift/Escalator Engineers

Dear Sirs,

## **Circular No. 11/2012 (Addendum No. 1) Commencement of Full Implementation of the Lifts and Escalators Ordinance (Cap. 618)**

The negative vetting of the commencement notices relating to the full operation of the Lifts and Escalators Ordinance (Cap. 618) (“the Ordinance”) was completed on 21 November 2012. Please be advised that 17 December 2012 will be the commencement date of the Lifts and Escalators (General) Regulation (Cap. 618A), the Lifts and Escalators (Fees) Regulation (Cap. 618B), and the uncommenced provisions of the Ordinance, other than the following provisions:

- (a) section 9(4) (in so far as it relates to the contravention of section 9(2));
- (b) section 13(4) (in so far as it relates to the contravention of section 13(2));
- (c) section 39(3);
- (d) section 43(4) (in so far as it relates to the contravention of section 43(2));
- (e) section 45(4) (in so far as it relates to the contravention of section 45(2));
- (f) section 69(2);
- (g) sections 8(2), 9(2), 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25 and 26 of Schedule 16.

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*The effective date was revised from 2 April 2012 to 2 April 2013.*

Items (a) – (f) mentioned in the preceding paragraph are the offence provisions relating to contravention of the provisions concerning the use and operation of a lift or an escalator with the display at all times of a valid use permit. These items would come into operation on 2 April 2013. 1

Provisions in item (g) are to take effect some time in the future to terminate the transitional arrangements for seeking registration as lift and escalator engineers or workers under the Ordinance. Separate notices will be issued in due course to advise their coming into effect.

Please distribute this letter or have it posted in the notice board for reference of relevant personnel within your organizations.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in purple ink, appearing to be 'W. S. CHUI', written in a cursive style.

(W. S. CHUI)

for Director of Electrical and Mechanical Services

- c.c. The Director of the Architectural Services Department (Attn.: CBSE/2)
- The Director of Buildings
- The Director of Housing (Attn.: SM/QM)
- The Commissioner for Labour
- The Director of Fire Services
- The Lifts and Escalator Contractor 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
- The Building Services Operation and Maintenance Executives Society