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To: All Registered Lift Contractors

Dear Sirs,

Circular No. 3/2019

Guidelines on Installation of Lift and Safety Components in compliance with EN81-20&50:2014 (2nd Stage of Implementation)

This circular is to call attention to the second stage of implementation of the requirements of compliance with EN81-20&50 and withdrawal of EN81-1 and EN81-2 as per Circular No. 12/2017 will come into effect soon.

The second stage transition for a new model of safety component or an existing model of safety component which has already been type-approved and other than will be used other than identical components in existing lifts in compliance with EN81-20&50 will come into effect on 1 September 2019. For a safety component which will be used in a lift after the effective date, a type approval showing its compliance with EN81-20&50 under the Lift and Escalators Ordinance Cap. 618 (the Ordinance) for electric lifts and hydraulic lifts shall be obtained. In other words, a model of safety component will be used other than for replacement of identical components in existing lifts, holding EN81-1 + A3:2009 or EN81-2 + A3:2009 or older certificate will no long be acceptable.

For a type approved component complied with EN81-20&50, its certificate identity shall be marked with a superscripted 2 listed in Appendix I in the Approve-in-Principle (AIP)

The RC responsible for installation of a safety component to a new or an existing lift should ensure that the safety component has been type-approved for that particular lift. Failing to seek for such approval prior to the commencement of installation of the safety components or safety component to be used for major alterations could contravene Section 16 of the Ordinance.

You are reminded that a type-examination certificate submitted for type approval under the Ordinance should be accompanied by a test report or test assessment prepared by the testing institute to substantiate the certification.

You should also allow sufficient time for processing, with due consideration to the number of applications and documents that need to be processed, updated and approved.

Should you have any enquiry on this Circular, please contact our engineer Mr. Kaiser CHEUNG at 3757 6120.

Yours faithfully,

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