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Registrar, Board of Architects
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President, Singapore Institute of Architects
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President, Association of Consulting Engineers, Singapore

Dear Sir/Mdm

AMENDMENT TO THE FIRE CODE

IMPLEMENTATION OF SS 634:2018 – SINGAPORE STANDARD FOR CODE OF PRACTICE FOR FIRE SAFETY FOR OPEN PLANT PROCESSING FACILITIES IN OIL, CHEMICAL AND PROCESS INDUSTRIES

The SS 634:2018 – Singapore Standard for “Code of practice for fire safety for open plant processing facilities in oil, chemical and process industries” was officially launched by SDO@SCIC¹ on 2 Nov 2018.

2. This new standard covers the layout and spacing of open plant processing facilities, drainage of spillages and firefighting water, isolation of the plant, provisions of means of escape, passive and active fire protection systems, and access for emergency responders and appliances.
3. The implementation of this new standard takes effect on 1 May 2019. The grace period is to give the building industry sufficient lead time to plan ahead for any new building projects. Any proposed plans of fire safety works for new buildings /

¹ The Singapore Chemical Industry Council (SCIC) was appointed by Enterprise Singapore on 1 April 2011 as the Standards Development Organisation (SDO) for the Chemical Standards Committee (CSC). SDO@SCIC administers the development, promotion and implementation of standards in this area.



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premises or alteration / alteration works to existing buildings / premises that are submitted to SCDF for approval on or after the effective date will be subjected to the new standard. Notwithstanding the above, SCDF has no objection to the adoption of the new standard with immediate effect or immediately after the official launch by SDO@SCIC.

4. Please convey the contents of this circular to members of your Board/ Institution/ Association. For any clarification, please contact LTC Han Fook Kuang at DID: 68481467 or Email: Han_Fook_Kuang@scdf.gov.sg.

Yours faithfully

(transmitted via email)

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