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All Registered Lift Contractors and Registered Lift Engineers

Dear Sirs,

Circular No. 02/2013

Checking of Hoisting Ropes and Safety Equipment of Lifts

I refer to the serious lift incident on 2 March 2013, where the lift plunged into the lift pit injuring seven passengers. Preliminary findings revealed that all the four suspension ropes of the lift were broken in the incident and the overspeed governor was found not functioning.

I must remind you to properly check and maintain the hoisting ropes and overspeed governor of lifts to ensure the lifts are in a safe working order. Suspension ropes should be replaced immediately based on the replacement criteria given in clause 5.4.7(d) of the Code of Practice for Lift Works and Escalator Works.

You are also reminded to arrange sufficient manpower to carry out periodic maintenance of lifts, and to strictly observe all the requirements in the Code of Practice of Lift Works and Escalator Works.

Yours faithfully,



(W. S. CHUI)

for Director of Electrical and Mechanical Services

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