Bills Committee on Lifts and Escalators Bill

List of follow-up actions arising from the discussion at the meeting on 11 October 2011

The Administration is requested to: --

Renewal of registration of lift and escalator engineers

- 1. provide the rationale for applying the requirement of registration renewal to existing lift and escalator registered engineers, and the basis for the specified training and practice requirements for registration renewal;
- 2. whether a registered lift/escalator engineer will be granted a renewal so long as he has satisfied the specified training and practice requirements; if it is not necessarily the case, what other considerations/factors will affect his registration renewal;

Transitional arrangements for lift and escalator workers

3. set out the factors taken into account in determining the expiry dates of the transitional arrangements for lift and escalator workers, and lay down a clear procedure/mechanism (such as prior consultation with relevant trade associations and labour unions as well as the Legislative Council Panel on Manpower etc.) for the termination of the transitional arrangements;

Offences and penalties

4. review whether the proposed penalty levels under clauses 16(2) and 17(2) should be increased to a level not lower than the penalty level under clause 13(4);

Performance rating of maintenance contractors

- 5. explain the contractors' performance rating system and review the system such that the occurrence of lift accidents would be appropriately reflected in the performance rating;
- 6. provide the information that is currently available to the public on the performance of registered lift contractors and advise on the planned improvements to the relevant dissemination arrangements;

Causes of lift incidents

7. supplement the "analysis of the causes of lift incidents involving equipment fault" in LC Paper No. CB(1)3074/10-11(01) to explain how the various factors covered in the analysis are related to the safety of lifts and escalators:

Assistance to owners of lifts and escalators

8. examine the feasibility of providing benchmark prices for contracts of maintenance services for reference by owners of lifts and escalators; and

Manpower engaged in lift and escalator works

9. review and supplement the manpower projections provided in LC Paper No. CB(1)3074/10-11(01) for the entire lift and escalator industry, including the manpower demand and supply for installation and repairing of lifts and escalators, and advise on what concrete measures would be taken to enhance manpower training and publicity.

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