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NOTIFICATION OF NEW EDITION OF CODE OF PRACTICE ON ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

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CIRCULAR TO PROFESSIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Who should know
Developers, Architects, Engineers

Dear Sir/Madam.

Notification of New Edition of Code of Practice on Environment Health (2017 Edition)

We would like to notify all Qualified Persons (QPs) that a new edition of the Code of Practice on Environment Health (COPEH) 2017 Edition has been released.

- 2. Please refer to the attached Annex A for the summary list of main updates in COPEH 2017.
- 3. The copy of the COPEH 2017 and the detailed list of updates in COPEH 2017 can be downloaded from NEA website at http://www.nea.gov.sg/public-health/food-hygiene/code-of-practice-on-environmental-health.
- Please note that it is the responsibility of the QP to ensure compliance with the environmental related Acts, Regulations, Codes of Practice and guidelines to prevent any adverse impact to public health and the environment.
- For further enquiries, please contact NEA Hotline at 1800-2255 632 or submit them electronically via the Online Feedback Form at http://www.nea.gov.sg/corporate-functions/feedback or mobile application (myENV). We would appreciate it if you could disseminate the content of this circular to your members.

Thank you.

Sincerely

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ANNEX A

Section	Remarks
Section 1 – Refuse Storage and Collection System Cl 1.3 – Refuse Chute Cl 1.4 – Refuse Chute Chamber Cl 1.5 – Refuse Room Cl 1.6 – Refuse Bin Point and Bin Centre Cl 1.7 – Pneumatic Waste Conveyance System (PWCS)	Cl 1.3 to 1.6 – To be complied with immediate effect. Cl 1.7 – Applies to URA PP submissions after 1st Apr 2018.
 Section 2 – Public Toilet Cl 2.4 – Sanitary and Water Fittings Required in Public Toilet 	Taking into account water conservation and public health considerations, NEA and PUB will be making it a requirement to install sensor tap in public toilets. Unlike mechanical taps, water provision from sensor taps can be halted almost immediately when not needed, hence reducing the amount of water loss. In addition, there is no contact activation required which minimizes the risk of contamination through the contact of the tap by different toilet users. The revised COPEH requirements will take effect on 1st February 2018. They will apply to all new building developments and public toilet premises undergoing renovations from the effective date.
Section 7 – Swimming Pool Cl 7.1 - Objective Cl 7.2 - Design Criteria	The revised COPEH incorporating the amendments will take effect on 1st November 2017, and will apply thereafter to all- (a) new building developments and premises with public swimming pools[*]; and (b) existing premises with public swimming pools, which are scheduled to undergo renovation of the relevant facilities, structures or systems mentioned in revised Section 7 or Appendix 6 of the COPEH.
Chapter 9 – Anti-Mosquito Breeding	To be complied with immediate effect.
Cl 9.3 – Air Conditioning Tray	
Section 11 – Storage and Collection System for Recyclables at Strata- Titled Properties with Residential Units Cl 11.3 – Designated Recycling Points for Recycling Receptacles Cl 11.4 – Recyclables Chute System	Cl 11.3 – To be complied with immediate effect. Cl 11.4 – Applies to URA PP submissions after 1st Apr 2018.
 Appendix Appendix 1 – Updated Appendix 6 – Removed Appendix 7 – Updated and re-indexed as Appendix 6 Appendix 8 – Re-indexed as Appendix 7 	