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To: All Professional Engineers

AMENDMENTS TO THE PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS ACT

The Board is planning to amend the Professional Engineers Act to enhance the role of the Board, give greater autonomy to the PEs over the composition of the Board and improve the operations of the Board. Briefly, the proposed amendments aim to:

- i) change the composition of the Board, allowing for election of some of the Board members and the President;
- ii) re-define the scope of registration and professional engineering works;
- iii) streamline the registration requirements, including introduction of professional registration examination;
- iv) reduce paid-up capital for licensing of limited corporations and streamline directorship of unlimited corporations; and
- v) strengthen and increase transparency in the disciplinary proceedings of the Board.

A description of the above proposed changes is available on our web site at: <http://www.peb.gov.sg/peb/html/news.html>.

The Board would like to invite PEs to comment on the proposed changes to the Act. Please forward your comments before 15 March 2004 to either:

- i) PEB Secretariat Attn: Ms Catherine Yeo at Fax: 62229471; or
- ii) e-mail: registrar@peb.gov.sg

I would also like to inform you of the changes to the PE Act and Rules which were made last year as a consequence to amendments to the Building Control Act. The changes were made to facilitate Design-and-Build method of procurement and to introduce Continuing Professional Development for PEs. A description of the changes to the PE Act, PE (Code of Professional Conduct and Ethics) Rules, and PE Rules can also be found at the abovementioned web site.

Thank you.

Yours faithfully

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