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To all licensed plumbers

Dear Sir/Madam

LICENSED PLUMBERS TO PROVIDE ACCURATE INFORMATION IN TESTIMONIES PROVIDED FOR APPRENTICES

It has come to our attention that there have been instances of licensed plumbers (LPs) engaging in the practice of deliberately providing false and/or inaccurate information in testimonies for apprentices applying to become LP.

2 This practice not only undermines the integrity of the plumbing profession but also poses serious risks to the quality and safety of plumbing work in Singapore. It is imperative that all licensed plumbers uphold the highest standards of professionalism and ethical conduct in their interactions with apprentices and in the industry at large.

3 Apprentices are required to have at least 2 years of relevant post-qualification experience, and they must provide proof that they were working under an LP's supervision during that period. Therefore, you are strongly advised to endorse only those apprentices who were undertaking relevant work under your supervision, and to maintain supporting documents for justification.

4 Any person who, when giving any information to the Board or making any application under or for the purposes of any provision of the Public Utilities Act, makes any statement which the person knows to be false in a material particular, or who recklessly makes any statement which is false in a material particular, shall be guilty of an offence. **Please note that the penalty for non-compliance is a fine of up to \$10,000 or imprisonment for a term not exceeding 12 months or both. PUB will not hesitate to take appropriate action against any licensed plumber found to be providing false information.**

5 If you have any queries or require any clarifications, please do not hesitate to contact Mr N Saravanan at 67313859.

Yours faithfully



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