Construction Industry Joint Committee

Seminar on

WORKPLACE SAFETY & HEALTH ACT (2006):

THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE STAKEHOLDERS IN THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY

Date/Time		23 May 2008, Friday / 9:00am to 1:00pm	
Venue		Carlton Hall, Level 2, York Hotel	
Fee (inclusive of GST, refreshments and notes)	/	\$ 50.00 – CIJC member [Refers to members of ACES, IES, REDAS, SCAL, SIA, SIBL, SISV, SPM] \$70.00 – Non-Member	
CPD	:	4 Units (Applicable to Members of QS Division and AIQS) 5 Points (Applicable to Members of SIA and BOA) 4 PDUs (Applicable to Members of ACES, IES and PEB) In-process (MOM)	

INTRODUCTION

Since its enforcement on 1 March 2006, the Workplace Safety & Health Act (WSHA) and its related Regulations has received much attention and discussion in the Construction Industry. Many seminars were organised by MOM, professional institutions and private entities to understand the "Why" of WSHA.

CIJC being the organization representing all the stakeholders of the Construction Industry is concerned about the "How" of this Act on the responsibilities of the stakeholders.

Prior to the enforcement of WSHA, the collapse of Nicoll Highway MRT station was a painful lesson learnt. However even after the enforcement of WSHA, ST 18 August 2006 reported that: "Workplace safety: Still a long way to go". Again, ST 26 August 2006 reported that: "Scaffold collapses despite focus on worksite safety". The emphasis of MOM is that all stakeholders are now being charged with the responsibilities to ensure workplace safety whilst the duty of MOM is now advisory and enforcement. With such changes in emphasis, all stakeholders are concerned with the liabilities in case of violation of WSHA.

OBJECTIVES

- Overview of the basic principles of the Workplace Safety & Health Act (WSHA) & related regulations
- Understand the responsibilities of stakeholders: Developers, Architects, Engineers, Contractors, Sub-contractors, Project Manager, Self-employed & Workers
- Know the severity of penalties for offences
- Explain the importance Risk Assessment
- Ensure proper reporting of incidences through iReport System

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

This forum is suitable for all levels of people, including Developers/Project Mangers/Architects/Engineers/ Quantity Surveyors/Builders/Contractors, and those who are involved in one way or another in Construction Project Management.

SPEAKERS' PROFILE

Mr Christopher Chuah Partner, WongPartnership

Christopher Chuah co-heads the Infrastructure, Projects & Construction Practice and is a specialist in Building and Construction Law. Christopher has acted as leading counsel in numerous reported landmark cases on construction law.

Christopher graduated from the London School of Economics is admitted to both the English and Singapore Bar. Apart from a law degree, Christopher has a Diploma in Surveying (Distinction) from the College of Estate Management, Reading, UK.

He is a Fellow of the Singapore Institute of Arbitrators, the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, and President of the Chartered Institute of Building. He has also been appointed to the Singapore International Arbitration Centre's Main Panel of Arbitrators, and appointed as an accredited Adjudicator under the Building & Construction Industry Security of Payment Act 2004, as part of the first group of such appointments. He was recently appointed a Member of the Construction Adjudicator Accreditation Committee formed by the Singapore Mediation Centre to assist with the training and accreditation of adjudicators, and is a member of The Institution of Engineers, Singapore's Panel of Legal Advisors.

He has led the authorship effort behind the Annotated Guide to the Annotated Guide to the Building Maintenance and Strata Management Act 2004 and the Building and Construction Industry Security of Payment Act 2004 published by Sweet & Maxwell and drafted the standard form domestic subcontract and supply of goods published by SCAL. Christopher is also an Adjunct Professor in Construction Law at the National University of Singapore.

Mr Subramanian A. Pillai Director, ACIES Law Corporation

Mr Pillai is a Director of ACIES Law Corporation and is head of the firm's Construction, Engineering and Infrastructure Projects Practice. He graduated from the University of Essex, UK in 1988 and was admitted as a Barrister at Law of England & Wales in 1989. In 1991, Mr Pillai was admitted as an Advocate & Solicitor in Singapore and also as a Barrister of the Federal Courts of Australia.

In the last 16 years, Mr Pillai's main area of practice has been in the fields of Construction, Engineering and Infrastructure Projects. He has advised and continues to advise Project Owners, Contractors and Construction Professionals on legal and compliance issues relating to workplace Safety and Risk Assessment. In addition, Mr Pillai has advised major insurers in Singapore on the statutory framework and compliance requirements under the WHSA for the purposes of Insurance Risk Assessment.

Mr Pillai is a Fellow of the Singapore Institute of Arbitrators and a Member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, London. He holds appointments as an Arbitrator on the Panel of Arbitrators of the Singapore Institute of Arbitration and the Singapore Law Society's Arbitration Scheme.

Mr. Richard Tan Director, Constructive ESHQ Services Pte Ltd

He obtained Masters and Post Graduate Diploma in Occupational Health, Safety & Environment from Curtin University. He was a graduate of Singapore Polytechnic in Process Engineering Diploma Course. He is MOM approved trainer and registered safety officer and accredited safety auditor. He is also an external trainer for NUS in the Graduate school of medical studies & Safety (OHSE) department. He has received commendation from MOM for significant work rendered in Safety & Health.

He has over 25 years of professional experience in refinery plant operations, project management and managing programmes in Safety/Health, Environment & Quality disciplines in large MNC Corporations. He is fully conversant with the management and implementation of HSEQ programmes such as Process Safety Management System (PSM, OSHA 1910.119), ISRS, OHSAS 18001, ISO 14001, ISO 9001:2000 and experience in leading hazard analysis study (Hazop/what if studies).

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- 4 Units (Applicable to Members of AIQS)
- 4 PDUs (Applicable to Members of ACES, IES and PEB)
- 5 Points ((Applicable to Members of SIA and BOA)

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Enquiries

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