



CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The 14th Annual General Meeting of The Association of Registered Fire Service Installation Contractors of Hong Kong Limited

Honourable guests, dear Members, good evening,

I am pleased in presenting the annual report on behalf of the 12th Council of The Association of Registered Fire Service Installation Contractors of Hong Kong Limited. This year is the 2nd council year of the 12th Council.

On behalf of the Association, I would like to take this opportunity to extend my heartfelt thanks to Francis Tang and Wicky Lo. Francis served the council as Honourable Secretary over past years and retired this year to pursue his career development. Wicky served the Council as Co-op member and retired this year for betterment.

The twelve committees of the association have been serving the association and its members to a high degree of satisfaction, thank you.

The 12th Council Members are:

Council Member	Representative	Position
Chubb Hong Kong Ltd.	Peter O.K. Lam	Chairman
Majestic Engineering Co. Ltd.	Michael M.K. Lam	Vice Chairman
Fai Tak Engineering Co. Ltd.	Francis M.F. Tang Tony W.H. Ip	Hon. Secretary (retired in April 2007) Hon. Secretary (joined in April 2007)
ATAL Engineering Ltd.	P.S. Ho	Hon. Treasurer
Guardian Fire Engineers & Con. Ltd.	Ken C.K. Poon	Director
Shun Yick & Co., Ltd.	Rudolf K.C. Tam	Director
Ryoden Engineering Co., Ltd.	W.K. Hui	Director
Johnson Controls H.K. Ltd.	Charles C.M. Law	Director
Shun Cheong Electrical Engg. Co. Ltd.	C.K. Chan	Director
Mansion Fire Services Co. Ltd.	K.C. Lam	Director
Honeywell Ltd.	Wilson C.Y. Yau	Director
Pyrofoe Engineers Ltd	Eric P.L. Kan	Director

I am glad to report that under the very tough market environment, we shall be able to grow the number of membership. Six members retired and seven new members joined the Association. This is a clear result remarking the good work that the Council has been done over past 12 months.

	2002/2004	2004/2006	2006/2008
Affiliate Members	15	18	20
Life & Ordinary Members	66	64	62
Total	81	82	83



I would like to welcome our new members joined the Association within this council term.

AM	Air Sense Technology Ltd	2006
AM	GE Security Asia Limited	2006
AM	Wing Cheung Fire Technology Co Ltd	2006
AM	NGT International Trading Ltd	2007
AM	Wai Tat Electrical Machinery Ltd	2007
OM	Webster Engineers Ltd	2007
AM	Kembla (HK) Limited	2007
AM	Etech Fire Limited	2007
OM	Fita (Int'l) Fire Prevention Eng Ltd	2007

The 12 committees managed the day-today operation of the Association. I would like to thank them for their contributions and invite the chairmen of Admin & Finance committee, Technical committee, Training committee, and recreation committee to report their activities in the past 12 months.

Admin & Finance Committee

1.	Mr. P.S.Ho (Chairman of Committee)	ATAL Engineering Ltd.
2.	Ms. Ling Ho	Administrator of the Association

We have a very small but effective committee to manage the administration of the association.

- Administration Committee is not only responsible for handling all matters relating to office administration, but also organize various kinds of events for our members such as seminars and sport activities.
- The 57th PRC Anniversary Celebration Dinner organized by CWRA was held on 27th Sept 2006 and FSICA reserved 12 tickets. Besides, a FSICA member, Viking Supply Network (H.K.) Ltd, sponsor 660 key-rings as table prize of this event.
- New Rental of our office space located at the FEMC office will be increased approximate at 13% from \$5,300 to \$6,000 commencing the month of February 2007.
- Through help of FSD, letter of mourning and donation (\$5000) of FSICA has been given to the family of a brave fireman Mr. Wong Ka Hei who was died while fighting a building fire in Tsuen Wan on 22-05-07.
- Finance status will be reported separately under agenda item 2 - Auditor's Report.

Technical Committee

1.	Mr. Michael Lam (Chairman of Committee)	Majestic Engineering Co. Ltd.
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2.	Mr. C.K.Chan	Shun Cheong Electrical Engg. Co. Ltd.
4.	Mr. Simon Tsang	Chubb Hong Kong Limited
3.	Mr. Francis Tang	External member
5.	Mr. Wicky Lo	External member
6.	Mr. Robin Li	External member
7.	Mr. Albert Tang	External member
8.	Mr. C.S.Lam	External member
9.	Mr. Tommy Leung	External member

- Members of the Technical Committee participated six (6) the Fire Safety Standards Advisory group meeting to advise FSD regarding rules and regulations.
- The final draft of the standard of BS5839 2002 is anticipated to be finalized by end of 2007 and the Panel shall also invite the major manufacturers to contribute comments as well.
- Prof David Charters and Robert Dye from LPCB/BRE visited FSICA in March 2007. Both parties exchanged information about their association. LPCB/BRE agreed to give 80 Red Books to members of FSICA.

Training Committee

1.	Mr. Tony Ip (Chairman of Committee)	Fai Tak Engineering Co. Ltd.
2.	Mr. P.S.Ho	ATAL Engineering Ltd.
3.	Mr. C.K.Chan	Shun Cheong Electrical Engg. Co. Ltd.
3.	Mr. K.C. Lam	Mansion Fire Services Co Ltd
3.	Mr. W.K. Hui	Ryoden Engineering Co Ltd.

- The joint seminar with Tyco on Water-based Fire Protection System, talk given by Mr. Peter Thomas, VP of R&D, Tyco, has been held on 28 August, 2006 with 78 audience attended.
- FSICA sponsored HK\$2500 for a competition award named “技能提升計劃-機電精英獎” which was organized by Skill Updating Scheme.
- Fire Trade Test Examination Advisory Committee organized by CITA with the presence of CITA, VTC, FSD, FSICA & Worker Unions has been held recently to review the examination curriculum of the fire trade test E306a and fire trade test for mechanical fitter. With these amendments, it is believed that the examination pass rate should be improved.
- New Advanced Vocational Certificate in F.S. Engineering (IVE) AVC will replace the part-time evening Craft Certificate in F.S. Course. The course is mainly for the graduates of Basic Craft Certificate. The candidate can complete the course between 2 to 4 years.
- The Seminar on Pressurization of Staircases jointly organized by the IFireE (HK Branch) and the HKIE (BS Division) was held on 1 Feb 2007.
- The Forum on Confirmation of Employment Status of Qualified Persons was held on 18 July 2007 with 73 audiences (31 FSICA member companies, 23 non-member companies) attended.



Recreation Committee

1.	Mr. Ken Poon (Chairman of Committee)	Guardian Fire Engineers & Con. Ltd.
2.	Ms. Ling Ho	Administrator of the Association

- The Association held four golf tournaments in last two years. Sponsorship from Bun Kee (International) Limited, Notifier Far East and Hitacco Electrical Manufactory Ltd were received.
- The Committee also organized Spring Dinners in Jan 2007 with big success. Total 31 member companies with 249 attendants joins the dinner gathering. Generous donation from FSICA members and Council member are highly appreciated.
- FSICA golf team won the FEMC Inter-Association “President James Cup” in Dec 2006. Wylam’s Service Ltd won the first runner up of Men’s double in 2007 FEMC Badminton Competition 2007.
- With enthusiastic participation by members, all events were held successfully.

Legal & Contract Committee

1.	Mr. Michael Lam (Chairman of Committee)	Majestic Engineering Co. Ltd.
2.	Mr. C.K.Chan	Shun Cheong Electrical Engg. Co. Ltd.
3.	Mr. Tommy Poon	Guardian Fire Engineers & Con. Ltd.

- ASD has included the review on use of PBSC into the Review of contracts Arrangement for BS/E&M projects under ASD in Oct 2006. FEMC maintains the position that there should be a direct contract between Employer & PBSC.
- Payment of wages of site personnel & workers for ASD & Housing projects have been strengthened.
- Requirements of Contract Technical Assistants (Building Services) has been included in Life Installation contracts recently. FSICA members are reminded to check if the same will be applied in F.S. contracts.
- FSICA endorsed & accepted ASD’s revised “ Admission Criteria for inclusion in the Ad-hoc list of PBSC (dated Jan 2007)
- Members are reminded about provision of PII provided to Client in some private sector projects.

Membership Committee

1.	Mr. K.C.Lam (Chairman of Committee)	Mansion Fire Services Co. Ltd.
2.	Ms. Ling Ho	Administrator of the Association



- In order to grow membership, the committee sent our newsletter to non-members together with membership application form in order to attract new members.
- To reduce the entrance fee for recruiting more affiliate members to join the association and attracting previous members to rejoin the association through offering them exemption of their entrance fee.

Safety Committee

1.	Mr. Charles Law (Chairman of Committee)	Johnson Controls Hong Kong Ltd.
2.	Mr Eric Kan	Pyrofoe Engineers Ltd

- The Association joined the Hong Kong Federation of Electrical and Mechanical Contractors to hold an E&M industry safety walk in Nov 2006 at Lavender Garden, Hok Tau, Fanling (新界粉嶺鶴藪香薰園).

Newsletter and Internet Committee

1.	Mr. Wilson Yau (Chairman of Committee)	Honeywell Ltd.
2.	Mr. Simon Tsang	Chubb Hong Kong Ltd.
3.	Mr. Raymond Tsui	
4.	Ms. Ling Ho	Administrator of the Association

- The newsletter and Internet committee issued two newsletters and kept the website of the Association being updated monthly.
- In order to reduce cost of mailing, the Association applied permission to use of Permit mail and will use plastic bag to send the newsletter in the future.
- Statistics of www.fsica.org.hk is listed below:
2006 參觀總數 21270 人次
- Statistics Data of FSICA website

(Jan – Dec 2006)				(Jan-Jun 2007)	
月份	參觀者	月份	參觀者	月份	參觀者
一月	1249	七月	1798	一月 2007	1143
二月	1554	八月	1881	二月 2007	820
三月	1842	九月	1863	三月 2007	1287
四月	1792	十月	1710	四月 2007	1303
五月	2149	十一月	1745	五月 2007	1619
六月	1949	十二月	1738	六月 2007	2016



Architectural Services Department Liaison Committee

1.	Mr. Peter Lam	Chubb Hong Kong Ltd.
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- It is reported that ASD shall review the unreasonable low unit rates in the term contract rate books.

Housing Department Liaison Committee

1.	Mr. C.K. Chan (Chairman of Committee)	Shun Cheong Electrical Engg. Co. Ltd.
2.	Mr. W.K. Hui	Ryoden Engineering Co., Ltd.
3.	Mr. Michael Lam	Majestic Engineering Co. Ltd.
4.	Mr. P.S. Ho	ATAL Engineering Ltd.

- The GMS Pipes Index for calculating the material fluctuation in FS/WP term maintenance contracts (TMC) and nominated sub-contracts (NSC), instead of uPVC lined GMS Pipes Index is adopted.
- “Pay for Site Safety, Environmental & Hygiene Scheme” for FS/WP TMC and NSC is adopted.
- FSICA will collect the feedback from the members regarding the recently implemented “Wage Monitoring System” and reflect the difficulties to HD (if any).
- FSICA is fighting against the proposed requirement of On-demand Bond for the NSC.
- FSICA has expressed the objection to the requirement of ISO1400 & OSHAS18001 certification for NSC.
- FSICA will request HD to further establish the enhanced measures to safeguard payment to NSC.

Fire Services Department Liaison Committee

1.	Mr. Peter Lam	Chubb Hong Kong Ltd.
2.	Mr. Michael Lam	Majestic Engineering Co. Ltd.
3.	Mr. K.C.Tam	Shun Yick & Co., Ltd.
4.	Mr. P.S. Ho	ATAL Engineering Ltd

- There were five (5) communication meetings held between FSD and FSICA. FSICA’s rep also attended six (6) Fire Safety Standards Advisory Group (FSSAG) working group meetings.



- FSD would provide “Help Desk” service to replace existing arrangements. The existing Stages I & II arrangements would continue until the “Help Desk” service became available. FSD would continue to offer advice as appropriate.
- Peter Lam represented the association to deliver a talk at the one day symposium – The impacts of recent research on fire protection industry organized by FSD, IFE, LPCB and HKIE (BS) on 9 March 2007.

Federation of Electrical and Mechanical Contractors Ltd. Liaison Committee

1.	Mr. Peter Lam (Chairman of Committee)	Chubb Hong Kong Ltd.
2.	Mr. Tommy Poon	Guardian Fire Engineers & Con. Ltd.
3.	Mr. KC Tam	Shun Yick Co Ltd

- FSICA agreed to support the FEMC in replacing EMCA as the representative from the E&M industry. On the other hand, FSICA will amend our M&A to insert the proposed addition to M&A of the Association by adding to clause(3) the following:

(3) (ii) To join the Hong Kong Federation of Electrical and Mechanical Contractors Limited (“the Federation”) as a Constituent Association; to support the Federation in its role of representing the local electrical and mechanical industry; to participate in activities organized by the Federation for the advancement of the industry; to affiliate with other Constituent Associations for promoting and safeguarding the interest of the members of the Federation.

- The EMCA council shall finish their 3 consecutive council terms of FEMC and hand over the council to other constituent associations.

From the above report, you may have been aware that we need more members to share the heavy workload of the committees.

In addition to the contributions from our members, I would also like to request our members join me to thank the friends of the Association, who join the different committees as external members, for their valuable time and efforts to help the Association to grow and contribute to the industry.

Mr. Albert Tang	Mr. Tommy Leung
Mr. C.S.Lam	Mr. Robin Li
Mr. Raymond Tsui	Mr. Francis Tang
Mr. Wicky Lo	

Conclusion

The association in the coming year shall through its communication with the Government to speed up Government projects for the members to enjoy more work opportunity, convey the needs and concerns of the industry to the Government and serve all members for betterment of business and service quality.



Finally, thank you for all your supports to the Association last year, and wish you fruitful business in coming months and years.

Enjoy your time and the dinner.

Thank you

Peter O K Lam
Chairman
The Association of Registered Fire Service
Installation Contractors of Hong Kong Limited

3rd August 2007