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Dear Sir/Madam

**BUILD ENVIROMENT SECTOR RESTART  
CONSTRUCTION AND RESTRICTED ACTIVITIES IN THE RAILWAY  
PROTECTION ZONE AND RAILWAY SAFETY OF RAPID TRANSIT SYSTEMS**

1. With the resumption of construction activities at site, we would like to remind all professionals and practitioners, contractors and developers in the build environment construction sector that you shall also obtain all necessary clearances or permits to carry out engineering works and restricted activities in the railway protection zone and railway safety zone.
2. You should exercise care and diligent in ensuring the works are carried out in accordance with the approved method statement in the interest of the safety of members of the public travelling on the rapid transit systems and for the protection of the rapid transit systems infrastructure.
3. We would like to take this opportunity to draw your attention to Section 11 Enforcement Notices of the Rapid Transit Systems (Development and Building Works) in Railway Corridor and Railway Protection Zone Regulations where LTA can issue notice to cease either wholly or partly the carrying out of development and building works if LTA is of the opinion that the works has been carried out in contravention of the Regs or in a manner which endangers or is likely to endanger the safety of any person travelling in or on the railway or railway premises or in a manner which has caused damage or is likely to cause damage to the railway or railway premises. If this notice is not complied with, LTA will revoke the permit issued under the Regulations.
4. This also similarly applies to carrying out restricted activities within the railway protection zone in the Schedule of the Rapid Transit Systems (Railway Protection, Restricted Activities) Regulations these Regulations, where any person intending shall obtain prior permission from the Authority before commencement of work on site. The operation or movement of crane, fixed or mobile, hoist and lifting appliances, ladder, drilling and piling equipment, excavator and any other mechanical equipment and vehicle within the Railway Protection Zone and Railway Safety Zone are defined among others in the schedule as Restricted Activities.

5. We strongly urge that caution, adhering to safe working method and procedure, observing necessary precautionary checks and providing close supervision and inspection be exercised whenever works are within the railway protection zone or railway safety zone particularly in your eagerness and haste to proceed with construction after this difficult period.
6. Safety of the public using the rapid transit systems can only be safeguarded with the co-operation of everyone involved. We trust that you fully understand the grave implications should incident happens affecting the rapid transit systems. We therefore seek the full co-operation and assistance of everyone involved to safeguard and ensure the safety of the rapid transit systems.
7. We would appreciate it if you could convey the contents of this circular to all members of your organization. If you have any queries, please send an email to [dbc\\_registry@lta.gov.sg](mailto:dbc_registry@lta.gov.sg).

Yours faithfully

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