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To: All Professional Engineers

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There has been some feedback received against professional engineers which relates to contractual disputes. Some cases arose due to ambiguity over the services that are to be provided by a Professional Engineer (PE) or as a Qualified Person (QP).

2 As many of the clients are laymen who may not be familiar with the industry practice, we would like to remind PEs to exercise diligence and ensure better clarity with regard to the terms and conditions and/or exclusions included in your contracts/quotations. This will facilitate a cordial and professional working relationship with your clients.

3 For performing the role of a QP for a project, PEs should assume greater accountability and endeavour to explain or communicate in writing to the clients the necessary work required to be carried out to meet authorities' requirements and/or adhere to industry practices. Should such work be outside the scope of the contract, PEs should highlight to the clients on such additional works at the earliest possible time instead of waiting till the tail end of the project which might lead to rectification works for the clients.

Regards
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