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AIRPORT EMERGENCY SERVICE

FIRE SAFETY CIRCULAR

To All Airport Partners

FIRE SAFETY VIGILANCE AGAINST FIRE OUTBREAKS DUE TO CARELESSNESS OR POOR HOUSEKEEPING HABITS

There had been an unusually large number of fire outbreaks in Singapore over the past few months (see Annex A). Some of these occurrences were serious enough to have caused substantial property damage and injuries to persons. We can ill-afford such incidents from happening at Changi Airport as we safeguard our reputation as a safe and efficient organisation. In light of this disturbing national trend, we would urge the airport community to remain vigilant against fire outbreaks that may occur due to carelessness or poor maintenance and housekeeping habits.

2 AES Fire Safety Unit has prepared a number of simple and easy to remember fire safety bulletins that can be found both in the CAG intranet (for CAG staff only) and the public website of CAG at the web link below.

http://www.changiairportgroup.com.sg/cag/html/our-services/airport-emergency-services/fire-safety/fire_safety_bulletins.html

These bulletins specifically address fire safety concerns associated with kitchen operations, electrical and lighting fixtures, housekeeping of premises as well as after emergency provisions like evacuation routes and maintenance of fire-fighting measures. AES Fire Safety Unit urges all airport staff to be intimately familiar with the information that these bulletins carry so that we can prevent fire mishaps from harming our properties, business operations and more importantly the people who use the airport.

3 For further clarifications, you may contact the Airport Emergency Service Fire Safety Unit (AES FSU) at 65412535 or at **fire.safety@changiairport.com**.

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Annex A

RECENT MAJOR FIRES IN SINGAPORE

PAST FIRES

East Village Hotel

On 16 Jul 2012 at around 8.30am, a fire broke out at the retail annex of the East Village Hotel in Singapore.

Fire was started by sparks that fell from hot works on Level 1 of the building that came into contact with poly-foam (polystyrene) in the concrete flooring slab. Thick smoke was created and forced the evacuation of 50 people from the adjacent hotel building.

11 people were injured and 80 fire personnel in 20 fire vehicles took 5 hrs to put out the fire.



NUS Engineering Building

On 10 Aug 2012 at around 2.15pm, a fire broke in one of the laboratories of the National University of Singapore (NUS) Engineering Building. Fire spread to the entire floors of the building.

Fire was put out in 5 hours and the cause of fire has yet to be determined.



Kallang Way Factory

On 6 Sep 2012 at around 2.29am, a fire broke out and engulfed three factory cum office units that were adjacent to each other.

These units contained reels and drums of industrial cables and other equipment of a printing company.

Fire was put out in 2 hours and cause of fire has yet to be determined.

