TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

MANDATORY REGISTRATION WITH THE BOARD OF ENGINEERS MALAYSIA

The Board of Engineers Malaysia (BEM) is a federal statutory agency under the Ministry of Works Malaysia established under the Registration of Engineers Act 1967 (Act 138) (REA 1967). One of its primary roles is to register Graduate Engineers (GE), Engineering Technologists (ET) and Inspectors of Works (IoW). The registration allows for BEM to regulate the professional conduct and practice of registered person to safeguard the safety, health and interest of the public.

2. We would like to draw your attention to Section 7(2) of REA 1967 that provides the restriction on mandatory registration, particularly as GE, ET or IoW to practice or take up employment:

Section 7(2)(a)  
A Graduate Engineer who is registered with the Board may, subject to section 8, take up employment which requires him to perform professional engineering services;”

Section 7(2)(aa)  
An Engineering Technologist who is registered with the Board may, subject to section 8, take up employment which requires him to perform professional engineering services;”

Section 7(2)(ab)  
An Inspector of Works who is registered with the Board may, subject to section 8, take up employment which requires him to assist the Professional Engineer in the supervision of engineering works;”
3. The definition of Professional Engineering Services and Engineering Works as provided by REA 1967 is provided below:

“Professional engineering services” means engineering services and advice in connection with any feasibility study, planning, survey, design, construction, operation, maintenance and management of engineering works or projects and includes any other engineering services approved by the Board;

“Engineering works” means all works which include any publicly or privately owned public utilities, buildings, machines, equipment, processes, works or projects that require the application of engineering principles and data;

4. Those contravening the above Section 7 of the REA 1967, upon conviction shall be liable to penalties as mentioned in Section 24. The full version of the REA 1967 is available in BEM website at www.bem.org.my.

5. Premised on the above, for a person to take up employment and/or perform and/or carry out professional engineering services, he/she must fulfill all the requirement and qualification set under REA 1967 and register with BEM.

Yours faithfully,

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