

ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH AND SAFETY

SUSTAINABILITY DEPARTMENT

CIRCULAR: EHS/GB/04/14

TO : G All Business Units Of Dubai World, Their Clients , Green Building Consultants, Architectural & Engineering consultants, Contractors and relevant stakeholders

SUBJECT : EHS GREEN BUILDING REGULATIONS GB 8.0
Mandatory Enforcement

DATE : 12 May 2014

Greetings from EHS!

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This is to bring to the attention of all the stakeholders that effective from **1 June 2014**, compliance to the Green Building Regulation “GB-8.0 for Villas & Residential Developments” would be mandatory for all new construction projects. Accordingly the application for NOC-BP and NOC-BCC for such developments should be accompanied by a full-fledged green building submission that is consistent with the requirements of the procedure EHS-GBP-9 and EHS-GBP-10 respectively.

You would recall that this regulation was made optional vide circular 04-13 on a temporary basis with a view to grant the owners and clients greater flexibility in adopting various sustainability standards in their projects. However, with an encouraging trend that it demonstrating greater maturity levels and awareness in the market, it has been decided to revert to the original position to complement Dubai’s initiatives for sustainable growth.

EHS rolled out the Regulation for Villas in 2010 considering its unique features that require a prescriptive, simple and practical approach. EHS is very strongly of the view that a practical regulation and a responsible enforcement would result in a greater level of genuine compliance amongst the stakeholders. This announcement is a reflection of this position.

EHS as always continues to encourage sustainable design, construction and operations as they have significant impacts not only in terms of immediate savings to clients but in the larger context of climate change mitigation too. Accordingly clients and developers are strongly encouraged to incorporate the green designs in their projects and contact EHS for any technical assistance.

The circular to this effect would be released shortly and can be downloaded from the “Green Building” section of the portal www.ehss.ae .

EHS-Trakhees is committed to providing quality regulatory services to our business units and clients in protecting the environment, human health and safety. As always, we look forward to your cooperation, support and a very successful working relationship.

Should you have any queries, please feel free to approach the Green Buildings department or contact us at EHS.GreenBuilding@trakhees.ae

Regards,

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