

ANNOUNCEMENT

Providing Professional Engineering Services which includes Technical and Technological Services that are of an Engineering Nature

It has come to the attention of the Board of Engineers Malaysia (BEM) that there is some confusion amongst members of the public with regards to who can provide Professional Engineering services, which includes Technical and Technological services that are of an engineering nature.

- 2. BEM is a Statutory Authority established under an Act of Parliament, Act 138 Registration of Engineers Act 1967 (REA1967) to protect the public by legislative control. Under the REA1967, the practice of engineering, which includes technical and technological services that are of an engineering nature, can only be carried out by Engineers and Engineering Technologists registered with BEM. BEM has instituted a system to ensure that only qualified and competent engineers and engineering technologists are permitted to provide professional engineering services.
- 3. BEM wishes to highlight that professional engineering services which includes technical and technological services that are of an engineering nature are covered within the ambit of Section 2 of REA1967 which defines Professional Engineering Services as –

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

and that

"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. REA1967 has been in force since 1967 and in accordance with the doctrine of trite law, the provisions of later Acts of Parliament shall be in addition to, and not in derogation of the provisions of any written law already in force.
- 5. Premised on the above, any person who is found to have breached the provisions of REA1967 can be subjected to action under the said Act or any other relevant recourse under the law.
- 6. Members of the public who intend to engage a person to provide professional engineering services which includes technical and technological services that are of an engineering nature, are advised to verify that the person is registered with BEM.

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