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VICOM APPOINTED CHASSIS DYNAMOMETER SMOKE TEST CENTRE

26 October 2006 - VICOM Inspection Centre Pte Ltd and JIC Inspection Centre, subsidiaries of VICOM Ltd, have been appointed by the National Environment Agency (NEA) to conduct Chassis Dynamometer Smoke Tests (CDSTs) on all diesel-driven vehicles from 1 January 2007.

Under new guidelines, all diesel-driven vehicles will have to undergo the compulsory tests during their mandatory periodic inspections.

VICOM, a member of the ComfortDelGro Group, has been conducting CDSTs on diesel-driven vehicles on an exclusive basis since 1 September 2000. These tests were however only conducted on vehicles, which had been caught by NEA enforcement officers for flouting emission standards including emitting white or black smoke.

With effect from next year, the requirements will be further tightened and all diesel-run vehicles will have to undergo this 10 to 20-minute test.

To-date, VICOM has conducted CDSTs on the more than 92,000 diesel-driven vehicles, which were caught by NEA enforcement officers.

The tests will be available at all seven VICOM and JIC inspection centres islandwide. New equipment and facilities costing some \$5 million has been installed to cater to the requirements of diesel-run vehicles.

To help motorists and workshop operators better understand how CDST works, VICOM will be offering free test trials and briefings** to owners of diesel-driven vehicles and workshop operators in December 2006.

** Please call Rosalind Low at 64502208 for an appointment.

Background

VICOM Ltd is a subsidiary of ComfortDelGro Corporation. It is Singapore's largest technical testing and vehicle inspection company, offering a comprehensive range of testing and vehicles inspection services at eight locations. We have seven vehicle inspection centres, five Idacs under VICOM Assessment Centre (VAC) as well as one testing and inspection centre under Setsco.

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