Announcement relating to the Revised version of the "Notes to Purchasers of First-hand Residential Properties"

The Sales of First-hand Residential Properties Authority (SRPA) has revised the "Notes to Purchasers of First-hand Residential Properties" ("Notes to Purchasers"). A revised version of the electronic copy of the Notes to Purchasers (printed in April 2014) has been uploaded onto the SRPA website on 26 May 2014 at the following link: http://www.srpa.gov.hk/en/publicity-materials/notes-to-purchasers.html.

With effect from 26 August 2014, the revised version of the Notes to Purchasers (printed in April 2014) will substitute the existing version of the Notes to Purchasers as set out in Annex A to the "Guidelines on Sales Brochure" (Guidelines No. G01/13) issued by the SRPA for the purposes of section 88 of the Residential Properties (First-hand Sales) Ordinance (the Ordinance) on 5 April 2013 and as set out in Annex A to the "Practice Note on Sales Brochure" (Practice Note No. PN01/13) issued by the SRPA on the same date.

As a transitional arrangement, sales brochures with the date of printing or the date of examination which fall within the period from 26 May 2014 to 25 August 2014, both dates inclusive, may use either the 5 April 2013 version of the Notes to Purchasers or the revised version of the Notes to Purchasers (printed in April 2014) for the purposes of section 19(1) of the Ordinance. Sales brochures with the date of printing or the date of examination which fall on 26 August 2014 or after MUST use the revised version of the Notes to Purchasers (printed in April 2014) for the purposes of section 19(1) of the Ordinance.

A table summarizing the major differences between the 5 April 2013 version of the Notes to Purchasers and the revised version of the Notes to Purchasers (printed in April 2014) is at the **Appendix**.

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Major Differences between the 5 April 2013 version and the Revised version (printed in April 2014) of the Notes to Purchasers of First-hand Residential Properties

(a) Major Differences in the English Version

Item	Section	Wording in the 5 April	Wording in the revised Version
		2013 Version	(printed in April 2014)
1	Section 4	vendors can only present	vendors can only present the
	1 st bullet point	the area and price of a	area and price per square foot and
		residential property using	per square metre of a residential
		saleable area	property using saleable area
2	Section 8	You therefore should not	You therefore should not make
	1 st and 2 nd	make such an offer to the	such an offer to the vendors or
	bullet points	vendors or authorized	their authorized representative(s).
		representative(s).	
3	Section 9	the name of all the estate	the name of all the estate
	1 st bullet point	agents so appointed as at the	agents so appointed as at the date
		date of print of the price list.	of printing of the price list.
4	Section 12	subject to reasonable	subject to reasonable
	4 th bullet point	restriction(s) for ensuring	restriction(s) which may be set by
		safety of the persons	the vendor for ensuring safety of
		viewing the show flat.	the persons viewing the show
			flat.
5	Heading of	For first-hand uncompleted	For first-hand uncompleted
	Section 13	residential properties and	residential properties and
		completed properties	completed <u>residential</u> properties
		pending compliance	pending compliance
6	Section 14	Ensure that you obtain the	Ensure that you obtain the
	1 st bullet point	"vendor's information	"vendor's information form(s)"
		form" printed within the	printed within the previous three
		previous three months.	<u>3</u> months <u>in relation to the</u>
			residential property/properties
			you intend to purchase.

(b) Major Differences in the Chinese Version

Item	Section	Wording in the 5 April	Wording in the revised Version
		2013 Version	(printed in April 2014)
1	Section 2	您須付予賣方或該發展	您須付予賣方或該發展項目
	4 th bullet point	項目的管理人的管理費	的管理人的預計的管理費
2	Section 4	賣方只可以實用面積表	賣方只可以實用面積表達住
	1 st bullet point	達住宅物業的面積和價	宅物業的面積和每平方呎及平
		格。	<u>方米的售</u> 價 格 。
3	Section 4	參閱載於售樓說明書內	…參閱載於售樓說明書內的 <mark>物</mark>
	2 nd bullet point	的物業位置圖	業位置圖
4	Section 5	根據條例,提供予公眾的	根據條例,提供予公眾的售樓
	1 st bullet point	售樓說明書必須是在之前	說明書必須是在之前的三個月
		的三個月之內印製、檢視或	之內印製 <u>或檢視</u> 、 <u>或</u> 檢視 或 及修
		修訂。	<u> </u>
5	Section 5	關於相當可能對享	關於相當可能對享用有
	2 nd bullet point	用有關物業造成重大	關 <u>住宅</u> 物業造成重大影響
	1 st item	影響的事宜的資料。	的事宜的資料。
6	Section 5	小業主有否責任或需要分	小業主有否責任或需要分擔管
	2 nd bullet point	擔管理、營運或維修有關發	理、營運或維 <mark>修持</mark> 有關發展項
	5 th item	展項目	目
7	Section 6	留意公契內所訂明小業主	留意公契政府批地文件内所訂
	2 nd bullet point	是否須要負責支付地租。	明小業主是否須要負責支付地
			租。
8	Heading of	買賣協議	買賣協議合約
	Section 7		
9	Section 7	確保臨時買賣合約和買賣	確保臨時買賣合約和買賣合約
	1 st bullet point	合約包含該例所規定的強	包含該條例所規定的強制性條
		制性條文。	文。
10	Section 7	…該圖則會顯示所有售予	…該圖則會顯示所有賣方售予
	3 rd bullet point	您的物業面積	您的物業面積
11	Section 13	查閱銷售說明書中有關發	查閱辨售樓說明書中有關發展
	1 st bullet point	展項目的關鍵日期 1。	項目的預計的關鍵日期1。
12	Section 14	確保取得最近三個月內印	確保取得最近三個月內印製有
	1st bullet point	製的「賣方資料表格」。	關您擬購買的一手已落成住宅
			物業的「賣方資料表格」。