PART I: INTRODUCTION AND OVERVIEW

1 Introduction

1.1 The Personal Data Protection Act 2012 (the “PDPA”) establishes a general data protection law in Singapore which governs the collection, use and disclosure of individuals’ personal data by organisations. The Personal Data Protection Commission (the “Commission”) is established under the PDPA with the key functions, amongst others, of promoting awareness of data protection in Singapore and administering and enforcing the PDPA.

1.2 These Guidelines should be read in conjunction with the document titled “Introduction to the Guidelines” and are subject to the disclaimers set out therein.¹

1.3 It should be noted that the examples in these Guidelines serve to illustrate particular aspects of the PDPA, and are not meant to exhaustively address every obligation in the PDPA that would apply in that scenario.

¹Available at http://www.pdpc.gov.sg/legislation-and-guidelines/advisory-guidelines