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Recorded By: Naaz Mohd **Date**: 30/10/18 **Time**: 1500hrs

Place of

Interview : Shaw Towers #21-06

Language : English Interpreted By :

I hereby declare that the following statement is voluntarily made by me for insurance purpose.

I am the abovenamed person.

I possess a valid Singapore class 3 driving license, which I had obtained on 2 August 2011 (serial no. 002587283C).

I am the owner of the vehicle bearing registration no. SKS6234Y, a Mazda 3-1.5 (A).

I had purchased the vehicle on a 1st hand basis from Mazda about 3.5 years ago and it is under a Hire Purchase agreement with Hong Leong Finance.

The servicing and maintenance of the vehicle would be carried out by me and I would always have it carried out at Mazda. The vehicle was last serviced in April 2018, with no adverse issues detected and I have never experienced any problems with the vehicle's operations in the past.

On Sunday 28 October 2018, I had left home after lunch with my wife and the weather was clear at the time. I had then retrieved vehicle SKS6234Y from the car park of my residence and I had proceeded to drive it towards 1 Sims Lane, where my wife was due to purchase some items at a shop located there.

I had arrived at the shop at about 1430hrs to 1445hrs and I had parked the vehicle within a reverse parking lot at an open car park located just behind the shop at 1 Sims Lane. It was not raining at the time and I then headed into the shop with my wife.

On the same day at about 1500hrs, my wife had completed her shopping and I thus proceeded to retrieve the vehicle. It had just started raining by then and upon returning to the car park, I did not notice the road to be inundated with rainwater and there was no raised level of water in place as well. I thus proceeded to enter my vehicle and I proceeded to drive the vehicle towards the shop entrance, which I estimate to be about 4 minutes walk away.

As I was subsequently travelling along Sims Lane and towards a road hump, I had noticed that there was a puddle of water located parallel along the road, which had spread across the width of the road and I would estimate the height of the puddle to be about 10cm but I powever cannot commit if this is accurate. I am unable to estimate the length of the



puddle but I did notice that about 2 vehicles in front of me had managed to travel forward to pass the puddle without any issue. I had thereafter proceeded to negotiate the puddle at a speed of about 10km/hr to 15km/hr. However, after my vehicle had managed to travel over about 30 meters and as it was reaching a road hump along the road, the vehicle had suddenly stalled for no reason.

Quite a number of lights on the dashboard had displayed then and I recall that I had tried once to turn on the engine by pressing the engine button but it did not respond. I did not attempt to restart the vehicle thereafter and upon alighting thereafter, noticed that the water had reached to about my ankle height. The water was just below the level of the undercarriage and the water did not reach the door.

I had then approached a passerby to assist me in pushing my vehicle and we had pushed it forward over a distance of about 15 to 20 meters to pass the puddle before stopping at the side of the road, where there was no raised water. I had disengaged the handbrake prior to pushing the vehicle forward with the passerby. I had subsequently called my insurance for assistance and they had assisted to activate a tow truck for me. The tow truck later arrived and it had towed the vehicle way.

I wish to state that this is the 1st time such an occurrence has happened and upon checking the area after the stall, noticed that the drains in the area were all choked. I wish to add that another car had also stalled in the area but other vehicles were able to pass the road without incident after my vehicle had stalled.

I agree to inform Budget Direct Insurance and A-PAC Investigation Solutions Pte Ltd of any news from Traffic Police, in relation to the accident.

I consent to allow my motor insurer towards resolving any received Third Party claim, at best.

That's all.

The above statement consists of (2) pages has been read over and explained to me in English (language / dialect). I accept the contents of this statement to be true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief, without any inducement, influence or violence against my will and that it was given of my free will and consent.

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Signature of Recorder