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Dear

**Legislative Council Panel on Transport
Meeting on 15 June 2005**

I am writing in response to a Member's request at the above meeting for information on the traffic projection for the Hong Kong – Shenzhen Western Corridor (HK-SWC).

Our latest projection is that at the initial stage of the commissioning of HK-SWC, the daily traffic throughput will be around 31,000 vehicles. Amongst them, some 65% (i.e. 20,000 vehicles per day) would be freight traffic. In this connection, you may wish to note that about 69%, 62% and 89% of cross boundary traffic using Lok Ma Chau, Sha Tau Kok and Man Kam To respectively are freight vehicles. Our traffic forecast for HK-SWC has made reference to the current ratio.

Should there be any further queries, please feel free to contact the undersigned.

Yours sincerely,

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for Secretary for the Environment,
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