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Date: Wednesday, May 06, 2009 09:46AM
Subject: FW: Letter regarding funding of facilities related to the HKZMbridge

Dear Emily

Herewith we forward some of our views on the works related to the HKMZB. This letter was sent to the Public Works SubCom and we hope it will be considered by the members of Finance Committee as a whole prior to approval of funding for works related to the HKMZB.

1. There is a need for a 'transport masterplan' for the airport, bridge, rail link, mtr, bus terminals, and road links, as one whole rather than each separately, to ensure we maximize the opportunity and minimize transfer times for passengers where they come from, whichever transport they use, and wherever they are going to.
2. There is a need for a masterplan for Tung Chung showing all planned developments and infrastructure and how these work together as a whole once completed in 20-30years. Such plan will demonstrate the benefits of moving the link road away from the Tung Chung residents, and of integrating the BCF with the airport island, specifically given the location of the planned extensions of the Tung Chung Town.

Kind regards

Paul

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Attached please find a letter for the attention of the Chairman and members of the Public Works Subcom regarding facilities related to the HKZMbridge for consideration when evaluating the current funding request.

Kind regards

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Attachments:

Mitigation and improvements of the HKZMB Ink roads and BCF...pdf

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Funding of the Hong Kong Zhuhai Macao Bridge **The Link Roads and Border Crossing Facility (BCF)**

Honorable Chairman and Members,

Does the BCF minimize transfer time and maximize convenience for all passengers?

Is the BCF designed as a transport interchange which fully integrates the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge (HKZMB) with our airport, the new HK-Shenzhen Express Link, the existing cross border ferry service and a new MTR?

Prior to approval of the funding, we urge members to ask the following questions:

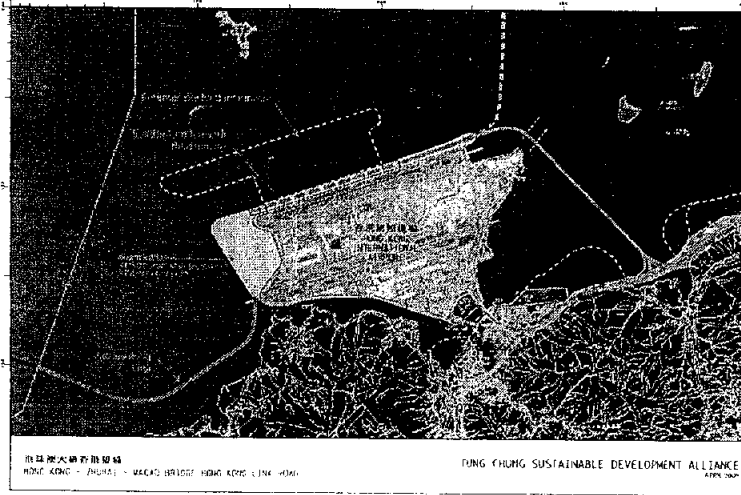
1. Will the airport people mover extend straight into the BCF?
2. Will there be one integrated terminal building for the cross border ferry, train, busses and people mover?
3. Will people using the HKZMB arrive on the 'airside' or do they have to go through customs twice?
4. Can people from Zhuhai and Macao hop onto the HK-Shenzhen Express Link and travel to Shenzhen without customs clearance?
5. Is there a system for remote luggage check-in so that passengers - irrespective of the transport they use - don't have to carry bags and suitcases around?
6. Will there be a local MTR station in the BCF? Can people who arrive by the cross border buses, ferries or express trains, clear customs and get onto the MTR to Tsing Yi, TST and Central?
7. Will there be an MTR line parallel to the new Tuen Mun road link?
8. What thought has been given to an integrated system for air cargo?

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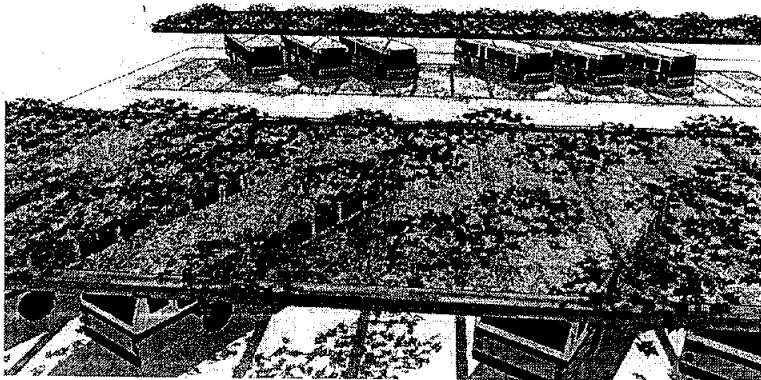
Move the Border Crossing Facility and the link roads for the benefit of Tung Chung

Tung Chung residents' health is going to be harmed by noise, light and emissions from thousands of cars and trucks passing in close proximity. Moving the road and cross border facilities 5 km to the other side of the airport is better for the health of Tung Chung residents:



Mitigate light pollution from the Border Crossing Facility

Security spotlights and vehicle headlights create an eyesore and light pollution. Building a green cover over the BCF also keeps vehicles cool and allows drivers to switch of idling engines:



Yours sincerely,

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