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Dear Ms Mak,

Road Traffic (Amendment)(No.2) Bill 2011

The proposed new regulation 120AA (3)(b) of the Road Traffic (Amendment) (No.2) Bill 2011 (the Bill) provides that the Commissioner for Transport (the Commissioner) may revoke the authorisation for an authorised installer who is known to have ceased to carry on business or is being wound up. The same regulation also provides that the revocation cannot be implemented until the lapse of the procedures as stipulated in regulations 120AA (4) to (7) which may take a few months to complete. In examining this provision at the meeting on 27 February 2012, the Chairman of the Bills Committee requested the Administration to consider the feasibility of any possible administrative measures that could help protect public light bus (PLB) owners from suffering financial loss if the authorised installer they have engaged cannot then complete installation of the device. We have examined the suggestion and would like to inform the Bills Committee of our follow-up action.

The proposed new regulation 120AA(2) provides that the Commissioner may authorise any person in writing to install an approved device and may attach any conditions to the authorisation that the Commissioner thinks fit. We have considered some options and are studying the feasibility of imposing a condition requiring the authorised installer not to charge the installation fee in full up front and that the full payment should be made only when the installation work has been satisfactorily completed and at the time a PLB owner collects

his PLB. We believe that such an arrangement will help to protect the interests of PLB owners under the circumstances in question. We will consult the PLB trade in taking forward the proposal.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Simon Cheung". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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