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20 August 2012

Dear Ms Sit,

Finance Committee Follow-up to meeting on 13 July 2012

At the Finance Committee meeting held on 13 July 2012, Members suggested the Administration requiring the franchised bus companies to include "disabled-friendly" features (including wheelchair low-floor design and audible devices) inside the buses in the tender specifications for the 36 electric buses to be procured with subsidies approved under FCR(2012-13)48.

The Transport Department has checked with the five franchised bus companies concerned which have agreed to include disabled-friendly facilities in the tender specifications of the 36 electric buses. These will include low floor, wheelchair ramp, designated wheelchair parking space, next bus stop announcement and display system, large electronic destination and route number display panel, etc.

Yours sincerely, (Henry C.P. CHIN)

for Director of Environmental Protection

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