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Dear Carrie

Public Works Subcommittee

Overall planning, budgeting, coordination and control of public works programmes

At the meeting of the Public Works Subcommittee on 7 January 2014, in the light of the huge increases in the approved project estimates proposed by the Administration for a number of public works programmes, such as the Central-Wan Chai Bypass and Island Eastern Corridor Link and the Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point and associated works - site formation and infrastructure works, members expressed grave concern on the Administration's planning, budgeting, coordination and control of various public works programmes. Members hope that the Administration could learn from the experience of the works projects with cost overruns and improve its work in the overall planning and management of public works programmes to ensure that public monies are properly used. Members of the Subcommittee and the stakeholders of the engineering sector are also very concerned about the escalating project costs and the shortage of labour in the construction industry. It is hoped that these problems could be properly addressed.

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Meanwhile, I have reported the above concerns at the House Committee (HC) meeting today. Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen, GBS, JP, Chairman of HC, will convey the Subcommittee's concerns on the subject to you for your attention at his next meeting with you.

With warmest regards,

Yours sincerely,

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