



Legislative Council Subcommittee on

Waste Disposal (Designated Waste Disposal Facility) (Amendment) Regulation 2013 and Waste Disposal (Refuse Transfer Station) (Amendment) Regulation 2013 Meeting on 2 January 2014

HKCA is supportive to the new "Waste Diversion Plan" for the South East New Territories (SENT) Landfill and other complementary measures to ensure that the diverted municipal solid waste (MSW) can be properly handled by the existing waste collection system and minimize any potential traffic and environmental impact arising from such diversion.

In June 2013, HKCA has indicated its support to expand the landfill sites, as an interim short term measure, to allow time for new waste collection and recycling system to establish and function. We also support reduction of construction waste and re-use of construction materials wherever possible.

Based on the prevailing circumstances, HKCA is particularly supportive to limit the SENT Landfill to receive construction waste only when its extension is approved. We view that the change not only remove the odour problem arising from MSW to the local community, it also balance the disposal need of construction waste and other special waste generated all over the territories. If the SENT no longer accepts MSW, MSW refuse collection vehicles traffic would be eliminated and the street-level air pollution in the Tseung Kwan O area should improve.

Most importantly, the new measures will not impose unduly burdens, in particular financially, to the waste producers and the refuse collection business.

HKCA is committed to contribute to a balanced and sustainable development of Hong Kong, and endeavor to work closely with the Legislator and Authorities.

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