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Clerk to the Finance Committee
Legislative Council Secretariat
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(Attn.: Mr Raymond SZETO)

Dear Mr Szeto,

Follow-up to Finance Committee Meeting on 11 July 2016

183GK – Reprovisioning of Shanghai Street refuse collection point and street sleepers' services units to the site on Hau Cheung Street, Yau Ma Tei for the phase II development of the Yau Ma Tei Theatre project

At the meeting of the Finance Committee on 11 July 2016 when the captioned project (FCR(2016-17)62) was discussed, Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki sought information about the health risk assessments on emissions to be generated by the operation of the proposed refuse collection point (RCP).

We have consulted the Architectural Services Department (ArchSD) which is the works agent for the design and construction of the proposed project. The ArchSD advised that, as required by the Environmental Protection Department (EPD), a preliminary environmental review (PER) for the project was completed. The scope of the PER comprises assessments on the noise pollution, air quality and odour impact, water quality and waste water pollution, etc. for the proposed project. The PER has concluded and the Director of Environmental Protection agreed that the project would not cause long-term adverse environmental impacts. The air ventilation system to be adopted in the design of the RCP to be

reprovisioned to Hau Cheung Street would fulfill the requirements imposed by the EPD.

Furthermore, the following measures would be in place to ensure the potential impact arising from the operation of the RCP would be minimal -

- (a) air inside the RCP will be treated by water scrubber system and active-ions generator before extraction to outdoor environment at the highest point via the exhaust air outlet at the roof;
- (b) the exhaust air outlet and its location has been designed after detailed calculation to ensure that the quality of the treated exhaust air can meet the standards as required by the EPD;
- (c) double roller shutters will be installed at the RCP, which will be kept closed at all times except for the occasional passage of refuse collection vehicles; and
- (d) negative pressure will be maintained within the RCP during operation to ensure no leakage of untreated air.

Yours sincerely,



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