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Dear Mr CHU,

# Panel on Transport Subcommittee on Matters Relating to Railways Meeting on 27 June 2016

# **Supplementary Information**

At the meeting of the Subcommittee on Matters Relating to Railways of the Legislative Council held on 27 June 2016, Members requested the Government to provide the information on works progress of the Kwun Tong Line Extension ("KTE") and South Island Line (East) ("SIL(E)") during July and September 2016. Please find attached the information on works progress of KTE and SIL(E) at Annexes 1 and 2 respectively.

Yours sincerely,

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Enclosure

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#### Annex 1

#### Legislative Council Panel on Transport Subcommittee on Matters Relating to Railways

### Information on Works Progress of the Kwun Tong Line Extension (as at 30 June 2016)

#### Purpose

1. This paper provides the information on the works progress of the Kwun Tong Line Extension ("KTE") (as at 30 June 2016) between July and September 2016, as per the request at the meeting of the Subcommittee on Matters Relating to Railways held on 27 June 2016.

### **Project Progress**

2. As at 30 June 2016, the overall works for KTE were 99.4% complete. Approximately 99.9% of civil works and 98% of the electrical and mechanical (E&M) works were completed. The Corporation would continue to push forward with the project with the target of commissioning the KTE in October 2016.

# Station Works

3. Statutory inspections for railway services and operational safety at Ho Man Tin Station were nearly completed. The remaining finishing and fittingout work continued together with the reinstatement works for nearby roads.

4. The station structure of Whampoa Station was substantially completed. Building services and architectural fitting out works at the station were progressing in parallel with E&M installation. The statutory inspections at Whampoa Station had been undergoing since June 2016 and among them, the fire safety inspection was completed.

# **Track-related Works and Train Testing**

5. Non-passenger trains were running in the KTE tunnels between Yau Ma Tei and Whampoa for test runs. Testing and commissioning for various railway systems including the overhead line, traction power, signalling, trains and platform screen doors were also being carried out during non-traffic hours.

#### **Essential Public Infrastructure Works (EPIW)**

6. The EPIW near Ho Man Tin Station were substantially completed. The statutory inspections for the remaining facilities were being carried out. The public transport facilities at Chung Hau Street, the two sections of subways crossing underneath Fat Kwong Street and Chung Hau Street and the section of footbridge connecting Chatham Road North and Ho Man Tin Station would be opened for public use at the same time as the opening of Ho Man Tin Station.

#### Conclusion

7. Members are invited to note the above information.

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# Legislative Council Panel on Transport Subcommittee on Matters Relating to Railways

# Information on Works Progress of the South Island Line (East) (as at 30 June 2016)

# Purpose

1. This paper provides the information on the works progress of the South Island Line (East) ("SIL(E)") project (as at 30 June 2016) between July and September 2016 as per the request at the meeting of the Subcommittee on Matters Relating to Railways held on 27 June 2016.

# **Project Progress**

2. As at 30 June 2016, the overall works for SIL(E) were 96.8% complete. 97.7% of civil works and 93.8% of the electrical and mechanical (E&M) works were completed. In view of the current progress, the target opening of SIL(E) would remain at end 2016. However, the continual construction challenges at the extension of Admiralty Station had put the target commissioning date at risk. Whether the project could be commissioned as scheduled would depend on the progress of the remaining works and the associated statutory inspections in the coming few months. The remaining works critical to the target opening date would be the fitting-out, E&M and building services ("BS") installation works at Admiralty Station. Thorough testing and run-in would need to be conducted, upon completion of these works, so as to assure the operational performance in compliance with the statutory requirements before the commencement of railway service.

# **Stations and Depot**

3. Ocean Park Station, Wong Chuk Hang Station and Wong Chuk Hang Depot had entered into pre-operational phase. Structural works for Lei Tung Station and South Horizons Station and their entrances had been completed with fitting-out and E&M works near completion.

4. For the extension of Admiralty Station, the construction of the station structures was near completion. Fitting-out, E&M and BS installation works were progressing in full swing, while preparation was underway for the statutory inspections scheduled for commencement in late August 2016. The timetable to complete the fitting-out, E&M and BS installation works would be extremely tight due to the congested site conditions and logistics challenges, and put at risk the target opening of SIL(E) in the end of 2016.

# **Track-related Works and Train Testing**

5. All track-laying works, installation of overhead lines and trackside auxiliary services between Admiralty Station and South Horizons Station had been completed. Testing of the new trains had been being carried out along the full alignment of SIL(E) since mid-February 2016.

# **Essential Public Infrastructure Works (EPIW)**

6. Most of the EPIW entrusted by the Government to the Corporation under SIL(E) project had been completed and opened to the public earlier. The two remaining works, namely (i) the construction of the public transport facilities at Wong Chuk Hang Station and the road network improvement measures in the area such as the widening of the section of Heung Yip Road near Wong Chuk Hang Station to four-lane-two-way-traffic were substantially completed, and the new road sections were opened to the public on 19 June 2016; and (ii) the construction of the pedestrian link to Aberdeen Channel Promenade including the lighting power supply works had been completed and the pedestrian link was opened to the public on 6 August 2016.

# Conclusion

7. Members are invited to note the above information.

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