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Legco Panel on Planning, Lands and Works
(Advancing TM Area 38 Stage II Reclamation)

Thank you for your letter dated 7 March 2000 to the Secretary for Planning and Lands.

The present situation is that, following the Planning, Lands and Works Panel meeting on 13 January 2000, we consulted the Environmental Affairs Panel on the same subject on 2 March 2000. Members of the EA Panel were also generally sympathetic to our proposal and we intend to submit our funding proposal to the Public Works Subcommittee on 3 May 2000.

Separately, we have asked the Director of Planning to initiate a site search exercise to identify suitable sites for the construction and demolition material recycling industry, and associated industries. This could, of course, include manufacturing of prefabricated building components. One of the sites we have asked the Director to consider is the TM Area 38 site.

Yours sincerely,

(Steve Barclay)

For Secretary for the Environment and Food

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