Presentation

to

Legislative Council Transport Panel by

Kowloon-Canton Railway Corporation

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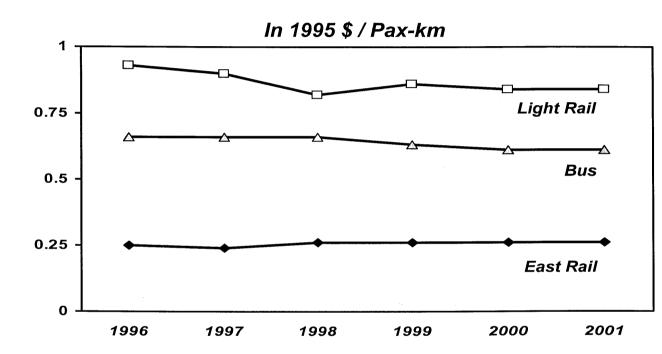
2001 Fare Revision

1996-2000 Financial Results Actual and Forecast Profit/[Loss]

	\$million				2001	
	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	Forecast
East Rail						
-Domestic	73	80	(22)	(83)	(17)	(72)
-Cross Boundary	913	1,074	1,238	1,431	1,623	1,883
Light Rail	(193)	(165)	(143)	(159)	(116)	(121)
Bus	(30)	(25)	(11)	(11)	(11)	(14)
Commercial	294	348	403	373	422	391
Total recurrent	1,057	1,312	1,465	1,551	1,901	2,067
Non-recurrent	2,433	2,328	252	293	388	474
Tax	(413)	(377)	(78)	(59)	(1)	(1)
Net profit	3,077	3,263	1,639	1,785	2,288	2,540

• For three of past five years [1998 to 2000], only East Rail cross-boundary is profitable for passenger operation.

Real Cash Operating Cost



• ER real cash operating cost level in last 5 years, LR and Bus had real reduction in cost.

Past Service Improvement Investments 1996-2000

Year	(\$ million)
1996	1,435
1997	1,969
1998	1,075
1999	1,136
2000	750
	6,365

Past Service Improvement Investments 1996-2000

Projects	(\$ million)
Train refurbishment	1,540
Automatic Train Protection	1,190
Hung Hom Station renovation	1,132
Noise mitigation	394
KTT Through Train	370
LR vehicle purchase	345
Other stations & facilities improvements	1,394
	6,365

Future Service Improvement Investments 2001-2003

Year	(\$ million)
2001	1,786
2002	1,480
2003	560
	3,826

Future Service Improvement Investments 2001-2003

Projects	(\$ million)
New Trains	1,155
LR extension & grade separation	953
Kowloon Tong Station concourse development	288
Noise mitigation measures	247
Locomotive replacement	85
Automatic train operation	85
Other stations & facilities improvements	1,013
	3,826

New Railway Projects

	Estimated cost \$million	KCRC contribution
East Rail Extensions	26,400	5,300
West Rail, Phase 1	46,400	11,900
	72,800	17,200

New Rail Projects Financing [WR Phase 1 & ER Extensions]

Source of funds	Estimated cost \$ million	Contribution %
Equity injection	37,000	50.8
Debt (Serviced by KCRC earnings)	18,600	25.6
KCRC accumulated profits	17,200	23.6
	72,800	100.0

Fares Comparison between ER Domestic and Bus

To Kowloon South from		<i>Fare</i> (\$)	Fare (\$)		
Sheung Shui	<u>ER</u> 8.5	<u>Bus</u> 12.3	ER advantage 3.8		
Tai Po	7.3	9.1	1.8		
Shatin	5.1	5.5	0.4		

· ER Domestic is cheaper than Bus to urban Kowloon.

Journey Time Comparison between ER Domestic and Bus

To Kowloon South from	Journey Time (minutes)		
Sheung Shui	<u>ER</u> 35	<u>Bus</u> 75	<u>ER advantage</u> 40
Tai Po	25	60	35
Shatin	13	52	39

· ER Domestic is faster than Bus to urban Kowloon.

Fares Comparison between ER Cross Boundary and Bus

	Fare (\$)		
	ER to Lo Wu	<u>Bus via LMC to</u> <u>Shenzhen</u>	ER advantage
Mongkok	31.3	50 to 70	18.7 to 38.7
Shatin	24.2	50 to 70	25.8 to 45.8
Sheung Shui	18.8	50 to 70	31.2 to 51.2

• ER Cross Boundary is cheaper than Bus to urban Shenzhen destinations.

Journey Time Comparison between ER Cross Boundary and Bus

Journey Time (minutes)

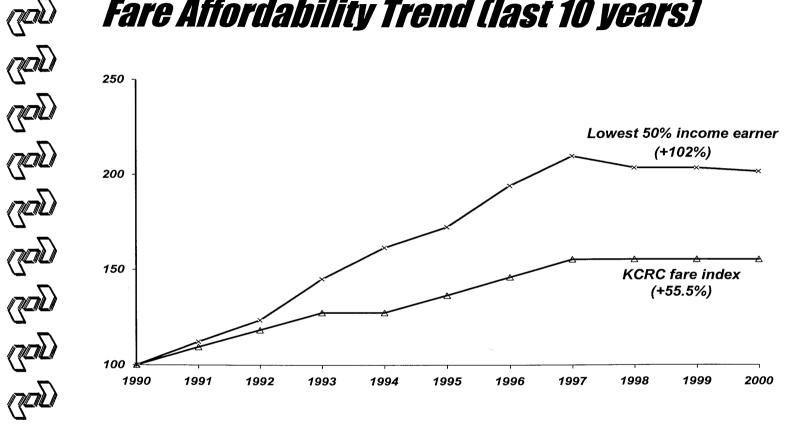
	ER to Lo Wu	<u>Bus via LMC</u> to Shenzhen	ER advantage
Mongkok	35	60	25
Shatin	26	50	24
Sheung Shui	4	30	26

• ER Cross Boundary is faster than Bus to urban Shenzhen destinations.

Fare Comparison between LR and Bus

	Fare (\$)		
	<u>LR</u>	<u>Bus</u>	<u>LR advantage</u>
Short distance (1 to 12 stops)	3.4 to 3.9	3.5 to 4.2	0.1 to 0.3
Medium distance (13 to 18 stops)	4.0 to 4.9	5.0	0.1 to 1.0
Long distance (19 stops or above)	4.8 to 5.8	N/A	N/A

Fare Affordability Trend (last 10 years)



Wage on lowest 50% income earner grew faster than KCRC fares.

Fare Affordability Trend (last 5 years) 1.3 Lowest 50% income earner 1.2 (+17%) KCRC fare index (+14%)1.1 1995 1996 1999 2000 1997 1998

Wage on lowest 50% income earner grew faster than KCRC fares.

Comparison between Current and Revised Fares: East Rail-Domestic [Octopus]

		(\$)		
From Hung Hom to	Current Fare	Revised Fare	Increase	
Mongkok/Kowloon Tong	3.2	3.3	0.1	
Tai Wai/Shatin	5.1	5.3	0.2	
Fo Tan	6.0	6.2	0.2	
Racecourse	11.7	11.7	0.0	
University	6.0	6.4	0.4	
Tai Po/Tai Wo	7.3	7.7	0.4	
Fanling/Sheung Shui	8.5	8.9	0.4	

Revised Fares: East Rail-Domestic [Octopus]

Affected Passengers

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Fare Increase (\$)	%	Cumulative %
0.0	0.8	0.8
0.1	28.1	28.9
0.2	58.1	87.0
0.4	13.0	100.0

- 87% of passengers will have 0 to 20 cents increase.
- Single ride fares will increase by 50 cents or not at all.

Comparison between Current and Revised Fares: East Rail-Cross Boundary [Octopus]

		(\$)	
To Lo Wu from	Current Fare	Revised Fare	Increase
Fanling/Sheung Shui	18.8	19.5	0.7
Tai Po/Tai Wo	20.8	21.5	0.7
University	21.8	22.5	0.7
Fo Tan	22.1	22.8	0.7
Tai Wai/Shatin	24.2	25.0	0.8
Mongkok/Kowloon Tong	31.3	32.1	0.8
Hunghom	31.3	32.3	1.0

Revised Fares: East Rail-Cross Boundary [Octopus]

Affected Passengers

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Fare Increase (\$)	%	Cumulative %
0.7	40.5	40.5
0.8	44.2	84.7
1.0	15.3	100.0

• About 85% of passengers will have 70 to 80 cents increase.

Comparison between Current and Revised Fares: Light Rail [Octopus]

		(\$)	
Octopus Fare (No. of Stops)	Current Fare	Revised Fare	Increase
(1-3)	3.70	3.80	0.1
(4-6)	3.80	3.90	0.1
(7-9)	3.90	4.00	0.1
(10-12)	3.90	4.10	0.2
(13-15)	4.40	4.50	0.1
(16-18)	4.90	5.00	0.1
(19-21)	5.30	5.50	0.2
(22-26)	5.80	6.10	0.3

Revised Fares: Light Rail [Octopus]

Affected Passengers

Fare Increase (\$)	%	Cumulative %
0.1	82.4	82.4
0.2	16.5	98.9
0.3	1.1	100.0

• About 99% of Light Rail passengers will have 10 to 20 cents increase.

Comparison between Current and Revised Fares: Bus [Octopus]

(\$)

Routes		Current Fare	Revised Fare	Increase
657		3.20	3.50	0.3
670		3.40	3.60	0.2
659		3.50	3.60	0.1
521/655	5/656/A52/A59/A70/A71	3.70	3.90	0.2
A74		4.00	4.20	0.2
K1X/K2	2X (Full Fare)	6.10	6.40	0.3
	(Sectional Fare)	4.50	4.60	0.1
A73	(Full Fare)	6.50	6.70	0.2
	(Sectional Fare at Fu Hang Tsuen)	4.60	4.60	0.0
	(Section Fare at Lingnan	5.00	5.00	0.0
	University)			

Revised Fares: Bus [Octopus]

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Fare Increase (\$)	%	Cumulative %	
0.0	4.6	4.6	
0.1	23.8	28.4	
0.2	57.1	85.5	
0.3	14.5	100.0	

- No fare increase for some sectional fares
- About 86% of Feeder Bus passengers will have 0 to 20 cents increase.

2001 KCRC Fare Revision

KCRC service	Average (\$)	Increase (%)
ER domestic	0.22	3.8
ER cross boundary	0.66	2.6
ER overall	0.36	2.9
LR	0.14	3.8
Bus	0.13	3.9
KCRC overall	0.29	3.1

Conclusion

- No fare increase for three years 1998-2000.
- Loss making passenger services except Cross Boundary.
- Profits totally re-invested into service improvements and new projects.
 - \$6.4 billion invested in past five years.
 - \$3.8 billion to be invested in the next three years.
 - \$17.2 billion from accumulated profits to be invested in West Rail & East Rail Extensions.
 - Need to borrow \$18.6 billion to finance these two projects.

Conclusion

- Octopus fares will be increased by no more than 20 cents or not at all for
 - 86% of Bus passengers
 - 87% of ER domestic passengers
 - 99% of LR passengers
- For 85% of ER cross boundary passengers, Octopus fares will be increased by 70 to 80 cents.
- Overall increase of 3.1% or 29 cents is moderate.
- KCR train services are cheaper than other modes of transport, even after fare increase.