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(Attn.: Mrs. Mary Tang)

Dear Mrs. Tang

Waste Disposal (Amendment)(No.2) Bill 2003

We refer to your letter of 15 April and are pleased to offer our views on the captioned Bill as follows:

1. We support the proposed charging scheme for disposal of construction waste at various types of disposal facilities as a means to discourage the dumping of construction waste on the landfills thereby helping to slow down the depletion of limited landfill capacity.
2. To encourage the sorting of construction waste, we would suggest lowering the charge for disposal at sorting facilities to offer an economic incentive to do so. In any event, the overall charging structure of the scheme should be reviewed in two years upon implementation.
3. As the site staff at waste disposal facilities will be empowered to determine upon visual inspection if a particular waste load may be disposed at certain facility, clear guidelines should be established to help the site staff with such inspection.
4. We believe the ultimate solution lies in reduction and recycling, and would urge the Government, in addition to the proposed scheme as set out in the



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Bill, to bring our Building Regulations up to date to allow buildings to be built in a more efficient and less wasteful manner. At the same time, it can encourage a greater degree of recycling by setting specifications for all types of construction waste materials that may be reused in building works.

Yours sincerely

Louis Loong
Secretary General