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Dear Ms NG,

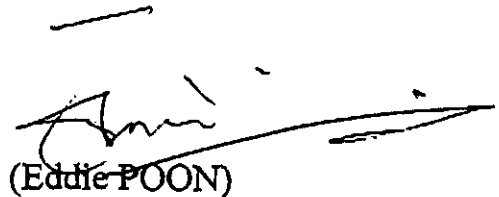
Finance Committee
379RO - Cherry Street Park (the Park), Tai Kok Tsui

Thank you for your letter of 15 October 2003 addressed to the Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury which was passed to us for a reply. On the two queries raised by Members, we would like to respond as follows –

- (a) As mentioned in FCRI(2003-04)14, we would incorporate Site A into the Park after seeking approval from the Town Planning Board and we would commence construction work on the whole site after the part occupied by the Mass Transit Railway Corporation is vacated in April/May 2005. According to the current schedule, the works in Site A would be completed by the third quarter of 2006. We will take the necessary mitigation measures to minimize inconvenience to park users during the construction period.

(b) The major part of the Park (including the northern and southern portions and the 4-meter-wide strip linking the two but excluding Site A) will be opened to the public in August 2005 as scheduled.

Yours sincerely,



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