HONG KONG APPLIED SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH INSTITUTE COMPANY LIMITED 香港應用科技研究院有限公司



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15 June 2007

Clerk to Public Accounts Committee Legislative Council Legislative Council Building 8 Jackson Road Central, Hong Kong

(Attn: Ms Serena CHU)

Dear Ms CHU,

The Director of Audit's Report on the results of value for money audits (Report No. 48)

Chapter 2: Administration of Hong Kong Applied Science and Technology Research Institute Company Limited (ASTRI)

Thank you for your letter of 14 June 2007.

The new and streamlined administration structure of ASTRI reported in Annex II of our reply of 18 May 2007 took effect on the same day, with the former Vice-President (Planning) assuming the post of Chief Operating Officer (COO) and taking overall responsibility and central control of the administration function and operational matters. The Vice-President (Planning) was deleted at the same time. The former Director of Administration was retitled as Chief Administration Officer (CAO) who now takes charge of Company Secretary, human resources, quality management and general administration. The CAO reports to the COO. The organisational structures before and after the rationalization are attached for reference.

Apart from the re-organisation and streamlining initiatives as set out in Annex II of our reply dated 18 May 2007, the Board, at the meeting held on 16 May 2007, noted that some administration departments might have



further room for streamlining and rationalization, and tasked the Acting Chief Executive Officer to review the matter and report the outcome to the Board in three months' time. The Board will inform the Public Accounts Committee the outcome after the review has been completed.

Yours sincerely,

(Victor Chin) for Chairman

Board of Directors

c.c. Secretary for Commerce, Industry and Technology (Attn: Mr Joseph W P Wong)

Permanent Secretary for Commerce, Industry and Technology (Communications and Technology)

(Attn: Mr Francis Ho)

Commissioner for Innovation and Technology (Attn: Mr Anthony S K Wong)

Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury (Attn: Miss Amy Tse)

Director of Audit (Attn: Mr Tony Ng)

Hong Kong Applied Science and Technology Research Institute Company Limited Organisation Structure with effect from 18 May 2007



