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Dear Mr Lau,

Panel on Transport Subcommittee on Matters Relating to Railways

East Rail Line Rail Crack Incidents

Thank you for your letter of 25 January 2008.

A paper submitted by the MTR Corporation Limited on "East Rail Line Rail Crack Incidents" is at the <u>Annex</u>.

As mentioned in the information we submitted on 25 January 2008 in response to the request by the Subcommittee Secretariat (Paper CB(1)695/07-08(02)), following the discovery of the rail crack on 19 January 2008, the Hong Kong Railway Inspectorate immediately met

with the Corporation on the same day to understand the incident, including previous similar incidents involving rail crossings of the same type supplied by the same manufacturer. The Administration will continue to monitor the Corporation's routine rail maintenance, and the follow-up measures and investigations regarding the rail crack incidents.

Yours sincerely,

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