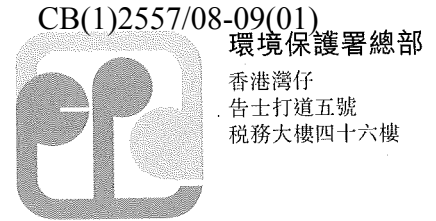


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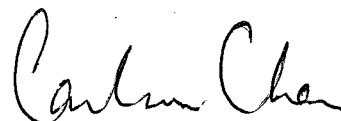
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Dear Miss YU,

**Panel on Economic Development and
Panel on Environmental Affairs Joint meeting
Follow-up action arising from the meeting on 15 July 2009**

At the Panel on Economic Development and Panel on Environmental Affairs Joint meeting on 15 July 2009, the Administration was asked to provide information on the plan of China National Offshore Oil Corporation (“CNOOC”) to develop a petrochemical factory in Huizhou. According to the information released by CNOOC to the public [please refer to <http://www.cnoocshell.com/home/newscont.aspx?id=311&topic=30> and <http://www.cnooc.com.cn/news.php?id=284717> for details], CNOOC is now operating the ethylene project with production capacity of 800,000 tonnes per year and the crude oil refinery project with production capacity of 12 million tonnes per year in Huizhou Daya Bay, and plans to progressively extend the above production capacity in future. We should be grateful if you would help relay the above information to Members for reference.

Yours sincerely,



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