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(Attn: Mr. Billy R. Leung)

Dear Sir.

## Legislative Council Panel on Transport Subcommittee on Matters Relating to Railways

## South Island Line (East) (SIL(E))

I refer to your email of 16 April 2009 addressed to the Secretary of the Subcommittee on Matters Relating to Railways under the Panel on Transport, Legislative Council.

On behalf of the Transport and Housing Bureau, I would like to thank you for your support for the development of the SIL(E). The MTR Corporation Limited (MTRCL) is conducting an environmental impact assessment for the project under the Environmental Impact Assessment Ordinance. The MTRCL will provide appropriate mitigation measures to ensure that the impact on environment, the ecology and historical values of the neighbouring areas will be kept to the minimum during the construction and operation of the SIL(E).

Yours faithfully,

for Principal Government Engineer/Railway Development Railway Development Office

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