Panel on Transport

Subcommittee on Matters Relating to Railways

List of outstanding items for discussion

(as at 8 February 2010)

Proposed timing for discussion

1. Kwun Tong Line extension

Last discussed at the Subcommittee meeting on 17 September 2009.

April 2010

The Administration has proposed to report on the progress of the project.

2. Mechanism of regular report on the construction of the Hong Kong section of the Guangzhou-Shenzhen-Hong Kong Express Rail Link

April 2010

The Administration has proposed to discuss the mechanism of regular report on the construction of the new rail link.

3. Follow-up on matters arising from the rail merger

Proposed by the Panel Chairman. He would like to follow up progress of the various matters raised by the Bills Committee on Rail Merger Bill, such as the provision of public toilets at railway stations, and other service improvement undertakings.

To be confirmed

4. Northern Link

Last discussed at the Subcommittee meeting on 15 January 2007.

To be confirmed

The alignment and planning parameters of the Northern Link are under review in the light of the planning and engineering study on the New Development Areas in the New Territories so that the Northern Link can be properly integrated with these

new developments.

5. Extension of Island Line to Siu Sai Wan

Proposed by Hon Mrs Regina IP at the Panel meeting on 14 October 2008.

To be confirmed

The Administration has provided a written response to Mrs IP's proposal. The Administration's response was issued vide LC Paper No. CB(1)100/09-10.

6. Retrofitting of platform screen doors

Mechanical gap fillers were installed at platforms in Lo Wu Station and the test was completed in mid-October 2009. MTRCL would complete its review in early 2010. Members have agreed to follow up on the review outcome in due course.

To be confirmed

7. Railway incidents

At the meeting on 4 December 2009, Hon WONG Kwok-hing requested the Administration to provide a paper on the incident of a West Rail Line last train departing Hung Hom Station on 29 November 2009 without following appropriate hand signal and whether there were any safety implications.

To be confirmed

Hon Andrew CHENG proposed that when this subject was further discussed by the Subcommittee, the Administration should provide updated information on railway incidents with delays of 8 minutes or more for the past five years and a list of outsourced maintenance works, including those subject to regular inspections and checks by MTR staff. He also requested the Administration to review the benchmarks for the evaluation of the service standards of MTRCL in view of the increasing frequency of railway incidents.

After the occurrence of the recent East Rail Line incident on 21 January 2010, the Administration has been requested to provide a report on the incident. The report is awaited.

Proposed timing for discussion

8. Shatin to Central Link

The Administration has proposed to report on the progress of the project, preparation for gazette and funding application for advance works.

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