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Attention: Miss Lilian Mok

Dear Miss Mok

Bills Committee on District Cooling Services Bill

We thank you for your email of 26 November inviting our views on the District Cooling Services Bill.

We are, in principle, supportive of a District Cooling System (DCS) which serves to enhance energy efficiency and promote conservation in Hong Kong. While the Kai Tak DCS will most likely be designed, built and managed in the best possible manner, a back-up system to provide uninterrupted supply of essential services such as electricity and air-conditioning is nonetheless a feature that can hardly be avoided in equipping any of the commercial buildings in the Kai Tak Development area.

We thus believe it would be reasonable to exempt any such back-up systems from GFA calculations. Otherwise, the Government may find it difficult to realize the full potential from the sale of the Kai Tak sites as it would be just natural for any bidder to factor in the cost of provisioning such back-up systems and adjust his bid correspondingly.

Yours sincerely

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Secretary General