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[Attn: Ms May LEUNG, Clerk to Panel on Commerce and Industry]

Dear Ms LEUNG

Legislative Council Panel on Commerce and Industry - Meeting on 17 July 2018 "Latest development of the Hong Kong Science Park and Industrial Estates, and the Administration's measures to support re-industrialisation"

The Hong Kong Institution of Engineers (HKIE) has been advocating for building a diversified economy with focus on intensifying technology and innovation development. We welcome the Administration's re-industrialisation policy. To provide favourable conditions, the Administration should continuously enhance our infrastructures, strengthen IT facilities and communication networks, and provide sufficient supporting resources to enterprises in particular SMEs to facilitate them in adopting new technology in the businesses and commercialising R&D outcomes.

The HKIE suggests the Administration to drive for closer collaboration of public and private sectors with practical measures to help the existing industrial practitioners upgrade and transform their businesses with use of new technology, while attracting more high value-added industrial activities and startups to operate in Hong Kong. To this end, the HKIE believes that expansion of the Hong Kong Science Park and constructing modern, purpose-built Industrial Estates are essential for accommodating high-tech industries and advanced manufacturing as well as supporting R&D activities.

Thank you for your attention.

Yours sincerely

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