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Panel on Economic Development of the Legislative Council Legislative Council Complex 1 Legislative Council Road Central, Hong Kong (Attn: Ms Shirley CHAN) (Fax No. : 2840 0269)

Dear Ms Chan,

## **Re** : Panel on Economic Development Letter from Hon CHAN Chi-chuen dated 13 June 2018

I refer to your letter dated 15 June 2018. Our reply is as follows.

The Environment Bureau and the Electrical and Mechanical Services Department (EMSD) are responsible for regulating gas safety in Hong Kong, and promoting and enhancing public awareness of gas safety. In this connection, the EMSD, through various publicity channels, reminds owners of gas pipes (i.e. service risers and installation pipes) of their obligations to arrange for regular inspection and maintenance of their gas installations to ensure safety of their own and the public.

Regarding the repair and maintenance arrangement mentioned in your letter, it depends on the ownership of the gas pipe, and the arrangement of repair and maintenance of the gas pipe made by the owner. According to our understanding, the Housing Department will give you a separate reply on the enquiry.

Your sincerely,

(Fanny CHEUNG) for Secretary for the Environment

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