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Secretary General Legislative Council Secretariat Legislative Council Complex 1 Legislative Council Road Central, Hong Kong (Attn.: Mr Lemuel Woo) <u>By Email</u> (yfwoo@legco.gov.hk)

Dear Mr Woo,

Legislative Council Panel on Transport Meeting on 23 February 2018 Cross Bay Link, Tseung Kwan O – construction

Supplementary Information

Regarding the request made by Members at the meeting of the Legislative Council (LegCo) Panel on Transport on 23 February 2018 for information on the impact on implementation schedule and estimated project cost in the case that the funding proposal of the works project could not be approved by the Finance Committee within the 2017-18 legislative session, our reply is as follows.

We plan to seek funding approval from the LegCo Finance Committee in the 2017-18 legislative session with a view to commencing the construction works of the Cross Bay Link, Tseung Kwan O (the Project) in the second half of 2018 for completion in around 2022. If the funding approval could not be obtained as planned, we will review the implementation schedule and the project estimate. It is difficult at present to provide an accurate assessment in this regard.

We have used the Government's latest set of assumptions on the trend rate of change in the prices of public sector building and construction output and the corresponding price adjustment factor (PAF) to convert the cash flow of project cost estimated at the constant price level (i.e. price level of a particular year) into money-of-the-day prices. By adopting the prevailing PAF forecast of around 5% on average annually as the basis of calculation, if the implementation of the Project is delayed by one year, the additional project cost thus incurred will be around \$0.28 billion (i.e. \$5,625.7 million multiplied by 5%).

Yours sincerely,

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