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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL BRIEF

Waste Disposal Ordinance (Chapter 354)

WASTE DISPOSAL (DESIGNATED WASTE DISPOSAL FACILITY) REGULATION (AMENDMENT OF SCHEDULE 1) NOTICE 2019

WASTE DISPOSAL (CHARGES FOR DISPOSAL OF CONSTRUCTION WASTE) REGULATION (AMENDMENT OF SCHEDULES 1 AND 4) NOTICE 2019

INTRODUCTION

The Secretary for the Environment has made (i) the Waste Disposal (Designated Waste Disposal Facility) Regulation (Amendment of Schedule 1) Notice 2019 to amend Schedule 1 to the Waste Disposal (Designated Waste Disposal Facility) Regulation (Cap. 354L) ("DWDF Regulation"); and (ii) the Waste Disposal (Charges for Disposal of Construction Waste) Regulation (Amendment of Schedules 1 and 4) Notice 2019 to amend Schedule 1 and Schedule 4 to the Waste Disposal (Charges for Disposal of Construction Waste) Regulation (Waste) Regulation (Cap. 354N) ("CDCW Regulation").

JUSTIFICATIONS

2. In order to maintain the construction waste disposal service for serving the urban area and southeastern part of the territory, the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council approved the funding for the SENT Landfill Extension in its meeting on 5 December 2014 via Paper No. FCR(2014-15)31A. The "Design, Build and Operate" contract for the extension of the SENT Landfill was awarded in April 2018. Its construction works is in progress with targeted commissioning in 2021.

3. The additional 13 hectares of land required by the extended SENT Landfill is currently within the boundary of the Tseung Kwan O (TKO) Area 137 Fill Bank, and is right next to the south of the existing SENT Landfill. In addition, about 30 hectares of the existing SENT Landfill would continue to be made available for disposal of construction waste upon commissioning of its extension.

4. The existing SENT Landfill is a designated waste disposal facility specified in Schedule 1 to the DWDF Regulation, and a prescribed facility for disposal of construction waste specified in Part 1 of Schedule 1 to the CDCW Regulation. The boundary of the SENT Landfill is delineated by the drawing number 90872/SP10/014B as specified in the aforesaid Schedule 1 to both Regulations. As the additional land required by the extended SENT Landfill would fall outside the boundary delineated by the aforesaid drawing, it is necessary to update the existing drawing by extending the boundary of the SENT Landfill for inclusion of the 13 hectares of additional land concerned. Starting from 6 January 2016, the SENT Landfill accepts only construction waste for disposal pursuant to section 3A(2) of and item 1(b) of Schedule 2 to the DWDF Regulation. The extended SENT Landfill shall follow the same disposal restriction.

5. The 13 hectares of land for the extended SENT Landfill had been carved out from the adjacent TKO Area 137 Fill Bank in December 2018. Besides, another piece of land of about 11 hectares in the TKO Area 137 Fill Bank is scheduled to be carved out for construction of the Water Supplies Department's first stage of desalination plant at TKO¹ in end December 2019. As the TKO Area 137 Fill Bank is also a designated waste disposal facility specified in Schedule 1 to the DWDF Regulation and a prescribed facility for disposal of construction waste specified in Part 1 of Schedule 4 to the CDCW Regulation, it is necessary to update the plan delineating the boundary of the TKO Area 137 Fill Bank (current plan number P 20332-3-A) that is specified in the aforesaid Schedules to both Regulations.

¹ Funding approved by the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council at its meeting on 1 November 2019.

6. The address of the existing SENT Landfill is stated as "Shek Miu Wan, Tseung Kwan O, N.T." in Schedule 1 to both the DWDF Regulation and CDCW Regulation. Since Shek Miu Wan had already been reclaimed, it is necessary to update the address of the extended SENT Landfill as well.

7. Kowloon Bay Transfer Station (KBTS) is another designated waste disposal facility specified in Schedule 1 to the DWDF Regulation. Since KBTS has not been used for waste transfer since 2005 and is scheduled for demolition in 2020, it is intended to remove the obsolete KBTS from the aforesaid Schedule.

THE AMENDMENT NOTICES

8. In view of the required technical amendments as outlined in paragraphs 4 to 7 above, the Secretary for the Environment has –

- (a) pursuant to Section 8 of the DWDF Regulation, amended Schedule 1 to the DWDF Regulation by notice published in the Gazette; and
- (b) pursuant to Section 23 of the CDCW Regulation, amended Schedule 1 and Schedule 4 to the CDCW Regulation by notice published in the Gazette.

9. The Waste Disposal (Designated Waste Disposal Facility) Regulation (Amendment of Schedule 1) Notice 2019 and the Waste Disposal (Charges for Disposal of Construction Waste) Regulation (Amendment of Schedules 1 and 4) Notice 2019 (collectively called "the Notices") are at <u>Annex A</u> and <u>Annex B</u> respectively. In addition, the updated drawing number 90872/SP10/014 Rev. C for the extended SENT Landfill and the updated plan number P 20332-3-B for the TKO Area 137 Fill Bank are at <u>Annex C</u> and <u>Annex D</u> respectively.

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10. The Notices will be gazetted on 13 December 2019 and tabled at

the Legislative Council on 18 December 2019.

11. We plan to bring the Notices into operation on 28 February 2020.

IMPLICATIONS

12. The timely update on the boundary drawing of the extended SENT Landfill will enable it to provide continuous construction waste disposal service for serving the urban area and southeastern part of the territory upon its commissioning. The update of the boundary plan for the TKO Area 137 Fill Bank will not have any impact on its operation.

CONSULTATION

13. We informed the Panel on Environmental Affairs of the Legislative Council at its meeting on 28 October 2019 via LC Paper No. CB(1)31/19-20(03) of the proposed technical amendments to the DWDF Regulation and CDCW Regulation relating to update of boundary drawing. Members did not raise any question or comment at the said meeting.

ENQUIRIES

14. For any enquiries, please contact Mr. Keith YEUNG, Principal Environmental Protection Officer (Landfills and Development) of the Environmental Protection Department at 2872 1750.

Environment Bureau/Environmental Protection Department 11 December 2019

Annex A

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Waste Disposal (Designated Waste Disposal Facility) Regulation (Amendment of Schedule 1) Notice 2019

Section 1

Waste Disposal (Designated Waste Disposal Facility) Regulation (Amendment of Schedule 1) Notice 2019

(Made by the Secretary for the Environment under section 8 of the Waste Disposal (Designated Waste Disposal Facility) Regulation (Cap. 354 sub. leg. L))

1. Commencement

This Notice comes into operation on 28 February 2020.

2. Waste Disposal (Designated Waste Disposal Facility) Regulation amended

The Waste Disposal (Designated Waste Disposal Facility) Regulation (Cap. 354 sub. leg. L) is amended as set out in section 3.

3. Schedule 1 amended (designated waste disposal facilities)

(1) Schedule 1-

Repeal item 2

Substitute

- "2. South East Area 101 and Drawing number New Area 137, 90872/SP10/014 Territories Tseung Kwan O, Rev. C". (SENT) N.T. Landfill
- (2) Schedule 1-

Repeal item 6.

(3) Schedule 1, item 21— Repeal Waste Disposal (Designated Waste Disposal Facility) Regulation (Amendment of Schedule 1) Notice 2019

Section 3

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"P 20332-3-A"

Substitute "P 20332-3-B".

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Waste Disposal (Designated Waste Disposal Facility) Regulation (Amendment of Schedule 1) Notice 2019

Explanatory Note Paragraph 1

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Explanatory Note

Schedule 1 to the Waste Disposal (Designated Waste Disposal Facility) Regulation (Cap. 354 sub. leg. L) specifies designated waste disposal facilities. This Notice amends that Schedule to—

- update the address and drawing number of South East New Territories'(SENT) Landfill;
- (b) remove Kowloon Bay Transfer Station (KBTS) from that Schedule; and
- (c) update the plan number of Tseung Kwan O Area 137 Fill Bank.

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Annex B

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Waste Disposal (Charges for Disposal of Construction Waste) Regulation (Amendment of Schedules 1 and 4) Notice 2019

Section 1

Waste Disposal (Charges for Disposal of Construction Waste) Regulation (Amendment of Schedules 1 and 4) Notice 2019

(Made by the Secretary for the Environment under section 23 of the Waste Disposal (Charges for Disposal of Construction Waste) Regulation (Cap. 354 sub. leg. N))

1. Commencement

This Notice comes into operation on 28 February 2020.

2. Waste Disposal (Charges for Disposal of Construction Waste) Regulation amended

> The Waste Disposal (Charges for Disposal of Construction Waste) Regulation (Cap. 354 sub. leg. N) is amended as set out in sections 3 and 4.

3. Schedule 1 amended (charges for disposal of construction waste at landfills)

Schedule 1, Part 1-

Repeal item 2

Substitute

"2.	South East	Area 101 and	Drawing number
	New	Area 137,	90872/SP10/014
	Territories	Tseung Kwan O,	Rev. C".
	(SENT)	N.T.	
	Landfill		

Waste Disposal (Charges for Disposal of Construction Waste) Regulation (Amendment of Schedules 1 and 4) Notice 2019

Section 4

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4. Schedule 4 amended (charges for disposal of construction waste at public fill reception facilities)

Schedule 4, Part 1, item 1-

Repeal "P 20332-3-A" Substitute "P 20332-3-B".

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Waste Disposal (Charges for Disposal of Construction Waste) Regulation (Amendment of Schedules 1 and 4) Notice 2019 Explanatory Note

Paragraph 1

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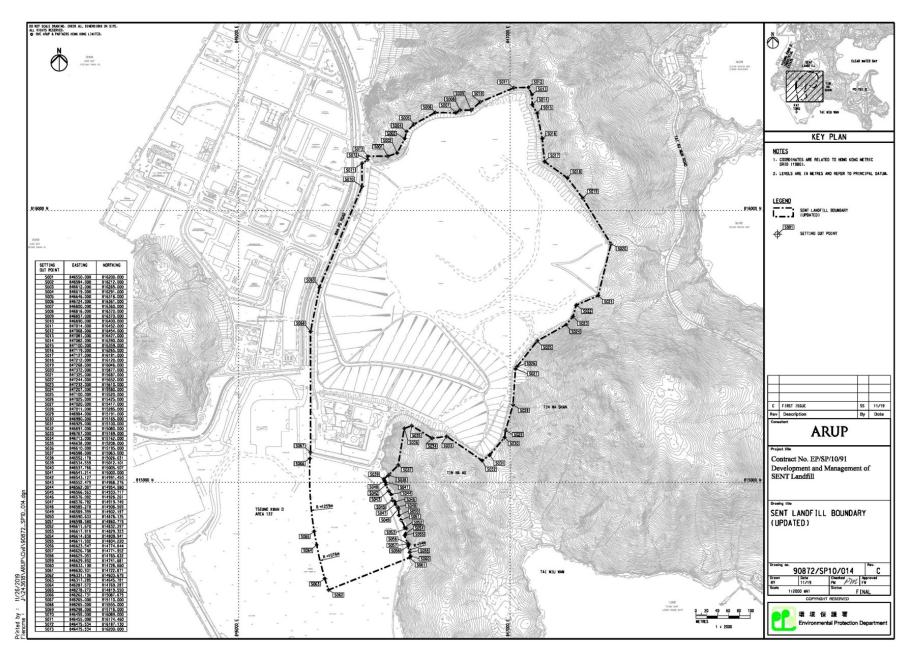
Explanatory Note

This Notice amends Part 1 of Schedule 1 to the Waste Disposal (Charges for Disposal of Construction Waste) Regulation (Cap. 354 sub. leg. N) (*Regulation*) to update the address and drawing number of South East New Territories (SENT) Landfill.

2. The Notice also amends Part 1 of Schedule 4 to the Regulation to update the plan number of Tseung Kwan O Area 137 Fill Bank.

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Annex C



Annex D

