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Clerk to Public Works Subcommittee Legislative Council Secretariat Legislative Council Complex 1 Legislative Council Road Central, Hong Kong (Attn: Ms Doris LO)

Dear Ms LO,

Meeting of Public Works Subcommittee on 27 January 2021 Legislative Council Paper No. PWSC(2020-21)30 Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge - funding support for Main Bridge <u>Supplementary Information</u>

At the meeting of the Public Works Subcommittee of the Legislative Council on 27 January 2021, Member requested the Government to provide supplementary information on the expenditure and account finalisation for Public Works Programme (PWP) items nos. 844TH "Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge (HZMB) Hong Kong Link Road (HKLR)" and 845TH "HZMB Hong Kong Boundary Crossing Facilities (HKBCF) – Reclamation and Superstructures". The information requested is set out below:

The Approved Project Estimate (APE) of PWP Item No. 844TH "HZMB HKLR" is HK\$25,047.2 million in money-of-the-day (MOD) prices, including a contingency sum of HK\$1,904.6 million while the APE of PWP Item No. 845TH "HZMB HKBCF – Reclamation and Superstructures" is HK\$35,895.0 million in MOD prices, including a contingency sum of HK\$1,584.4 million. As at end December 2020, the total expenditure of PWP items nos. 844TH and 845TH are about HK\$22,990 million and HK\$32,733 million respectively.

Both PWP items nos. 844TH and 845TH are mega scale works projects which involve more than 10 nos. of different but inter-related works contracts. Certain works contracts also involve a large number of claims. Highways Department is working with the engineering consultant to review and assess in detail the claims to ensure that any claims are substantiated and are handled strictly in accordance with the terms of the contracts.

The expenditure of PWP items nos. 844TH and 845TH are estimated to be within their respective approved project estimates. We could only ascertain the final expenditure of the PWP items upon completion of the accounts finalisation of the above PWP items.

Yours sincerely

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