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Dear Miss Chan,

Bill Committee on <u>Shipping and Port Control (Amendment) Bill 1999</u> *Third meeting on 23 September 1999*

Thank you for your letter of 27 July 1999.

Regarding the Hong Kong Midstream Operators Association's submission on the Bill, we would like to respond as follows –

- (a) The effort of the Association in improving safety of employees engaged in mid-stream operation is much appreciated.
- (b) We shall consult the Association and the industry in formulating the codes of practice.

Yours sincerely,

c.c. Director of Marine