#### LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL BRIEF

Waste Disposal Ordinance (Chapter 354)

# WASTE DISPOSAL (DESIGNATED WASTE DISPOSAL FACILITY) (AMENDMENT) REGULATION 1998

# **INTRODUCTION**

At the meeting of the Executive Council on 9 June 1998, the Council ADVISED and the Chief Executive ORDERED that the Waste Disposal (Designated Waste Disposal Facility) (Amendment) Regulation 1998, at Annex A, should be made under section 33 of the Waste Disposal Ordinance.

#### **BACKGROUND AND ARGUMENT**

## **General Background**

- 2. The Waste Disposal (Designated Waste Disposal Facility) Regulation was made in April 1997 to give the Director of Environmental Protection (the Director) specific powers to enable him to maintain order in the waste disposal facilities and counter the evasion of charges payable under the Waste Disposal Ordinance. The Regulation is applicable only to waste disposal facilities designated in the Schedule of the Regulation.
- 3. Since the making of the Regulation, a number of new RTSs have been or will shortly be commissioned. One of these RTSs (West Kowloon Transfer Station) has commenced acceptance of privately collected waste in April 1998. There is hence an urgent need to amend the Schedule of the Regulation to include this RTS as a designated waste disposal facility. If the trial scheme is successful, other RTSs will also be opened to private waste collectors. In addition, the North Lantau Transfer Station, which will open in mid-1998, will accept waste delivered by the Airport Authority's contractors.

# The Proposal

- 4. We intend to amend the Schedule of the Regulation to include the following RTSs—
  - (a) Kowloon Bay Transfer Station;
  - (b) Shatin Transfer Station;

- (c) Island West Transfer Station;
- (d) West Kowloon Transfer Station;
- (e) North Lantau Transfer Station; and
- (f) (i) Outlying Islands Transfer Facilities (OITF)- Cheung Chau Station;
  - (ii) OITF-Mui Wo Station;
  - (iii) OITF-Peng Chau Station; and
  - (iv) OITF-Hei Ling Chau Station.

#### THE AMENDMENT REGULATION

5. The proposed Amendment Regulation adds nine RTSs to the Schedule of the Regulation. This will give the Director power to maintain order in these facilities and to take measures to counteract evasion of charges for them. The Amendment Regulation will come into effect when it is gazetted on 3 July.

## **PUBLIC CONSULTATION**

6. We consulted the Advisory Council on the Environment and the Provisional Regional Council Environmental Hygiene Select Committee in March 1998 and the Provisional Urban Council Public Health Select Committee in April 1998 on the proposed amendments. No comments were received.

#### **HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS**

7. The Department of Justice has advised that the proposed Amendment Regulation has no human rights implications.

#### FINANCIAL AND STAFFING IMPLICATIONS

8. There are no additional staffing or financial implications arising from the introduction of the proposed Amendment Regulation.

## **ECONOMIC IMPLICATIONS**

9. The proposed Amendment Regulation will not pose any additional financial burden on waste producers as it only concerns the maintenance of order at designated waste disposal facilities.

# **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

10. There are no environmental implications arising from the proposed Amendment Regulation.

# **ENQUIRIES**

11. For further enquiries, please contact Miss Vivian Ko, Assistant Secretary (Environment) of the Planning, Environment and Lands Bureau at 2848 2979.

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(Made by the Chief Executive in Council under section 33 of the Waste Disposal Ordinance (Cap. 354) after consultation with the Advisory Council on the Environment, the Provisional Urban Council and the Provisional Regional Council)

# 1. Designated Waste Disposal Facilities

The Waste Disposal (Designated Waste Disposal Facility) Regulation (L.N. 197 of 1997) is amended in the Schedule by adding -

" 6.	Kowloon Bay Transfer Station (KBTS)	11Cheung Yip Street, Kowloon Bay, Kowloon.	Drawing number T91211 Rev A
7.	Shatin Transfer Station (STTS)	20n Hing Lane, Shatin, N.T.	Drawing number 7286/0001 Rev C
8.	Island West Transfer Station (IWTS)	88 Victoria Road, Kennedy Town, Western District, Hong Kong.	Drawing number 90833/SP15/04
9.	West Kowloon Transfer Station (WKTS)	GLA-NK564, East of the Container Port Road South, Near Stonecutters Island, West Kowloon.	Drawing number 90364/TEN/01 Rev D
10.	North Lantau Transfer Station (NLTS)	PLA No. TW353, Siu Ho Wan, North Lantau, N.T.	Plan number NANTA 80-A
11.	Outlying Islands Transfer Facilities - Cheung Chau Station (OITF-CCS)	1 Cheung Kwai Road, Cheung Chau, N.T.	Plan number ISA 477-A

Outlying Islands 35Mui Wo Ferry Pier Plan number IS
 Transfer Facilities - Road, Mui Wo, Lantau, 3099-D
 Mui Wo Station (OITF- N.T.
 MuiWS)

13. Outlying Islands GLA IS 296 & GLA IS Plan number IS-Transfer Facilities - 335, Tai Lei Island, Peng 2860-DA & Plan Peng Chau Station Chau, N.T. number IS 3093-D (OITF-PCS)

Outlying Islands Western tip of Hei Ling Plan number ISA
 Transfer Facilities - Hei Chau, adjoining the cargo 490-E".
 Ling Chau Station pier, Hei Ling Chau, N.T.
 (OITF-HLCS)

Clerk to the Executive Council

# COUNCIL CHAMBER

9 June 1998

## **Explanatory Note**

This Regulation adds nine refuse transfer stations to the Schedule of Designated Waste Disposal Facilities under the Waste Disposal (Designated Waste Disposal Facility) Regulation (L.N. 197 of 1997).