

NOTE FOR PUBLIC WORKS SUBCOMMITTEE OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

Supplementary Information on 164CL – Tseung Kwan O development, engineering works in Siu Chik Sha, stage 2 – remainder

INTRODUCTION

In considering PWSC(1999-2000)93 on 16 February 2000 on the proposed public transport interchanges (PTIs) in Area 86, Tseung Kwan O, Members sought supplementary information on the ventilation and air quality of all existing government covered PTIs.

THE ADMINISTRATION'S RESPONSE

2. The Administration's policy objective is to have all covered PTIs designed and operated to meet the air quality objectives and guidelines stipulated in the Environmental Protection Department (EPD)'s Practice Note on the Control of Air Pollution in Semi-Confined Public Transport Interchanges. This Practice Note sets out the air quality guidelines for PTIs at semi-confined locations, and outlines major considerations for designing and operating a PTI to meet these guidelines.

3. There are 42 government covered PTIs. 11 of these were completed after EPD's Practice Note was issued. Their design and construction are in accordance with the stipulated guidelines. A list of these 11 PTIs is at Annex A.

4. The remaining 31 were constructed before the issue of EPD's Practice Note. Of these five have been upgraded to meet the air quality objectives and guidelines stipulated in the Practice Note. Improvement works are being carried out in another two for completion by the end of 2000. Details of these seven PTIs are at Annex B.

5. The Administration will continue to monitor air quality in all remaining 24 PTIs, as listed at Annex C. If necessary, the Administration will implement the improvement works that are required.

6. Apart from improvement works to the ventilation system of covered PTIs, the Administration has also introduced, inter alia, measures to -

- (a) phase out the use of diesel in taxis and replace them with liquefied petroleum gas (LPG);
- (b) encourage the use of LPG/electric public light buses;
- (c) encourage bus companies to use ultra low sulphur diesel (ULSD); and
- (d) encourage bus companies to instruct their drivers to switch off engines of parked buses at termini unless passengers are on board.

We believe that all of these measures will have a combined effect of enhancing the air quality in covered PTIs.

List of 11 PTIs completed after the issue of EPD's Practice Note

No.	District	Location
1.	Island	Tung Chung Public Transport Interchange
2.	Kowloon City	Laguna Verde Public Transport Terminus
3.	Kwai Tsing	Tsing Yi Airport Railway Station Bus Terminus
4.	Sai Kung	Tseung Kwan O Metro City Public Transport Interchange (Po Lam)
5.	Sham Shui Po	Festival Walk
6.	Tsuen Wan	Discovery Park Bus Terminus
7.	Tsuen Wan	Nina Tower
8.	Tuen Mun	Lung Mun Oasis Bus Terminus
9.	Yau Tsim Mong	Kowloon Station
10.	Yau Tsim Mong	Tai Kok Tsui (Olympic Station) Bus Terminus
11.	Yau Tsim Mong	Tai Kok Tsui (Island Harbour View) Bus Terminus

List of seven PTIs where ventilation system will have been upgraded by end of 2000

No.	District	Location	Completion Date
1.	Eastern	Shau Kei Wan MTR Transport Interchange	September 2000
2.	Central & Western	Exchange Square Bus and Public Light Bus Station	July 2000
3.	Tsuen Wan	Tsuen Wan MTR Bus Terminus	November 1999
(a) 4.	Kwai Tsing	Kwai Fong Bus Terminus	June 1999
5.	Sham Shui Po	Cheung Sha Wan Plaza Bus Terminus	June 1999
(a) 6.	Shatin	Sha Tin Central Bus Terminus	January 1999
7.	Kwun Tong	Lam Tin Transport Interchange	October 1995

List of 24 PTIs referred to in paragraph 5 of the Information Note

.	District	Location
1.	Central & Western	Admiralty (East)
2.	Central & Western	Admiralty (West)
3.	Central & Western	The Peak
4.	Eastern	Chai Wan MTR Interchange
5.	Eastern	Tin Hau MTR
6.	Kowloon City	Whampoa Garden Bus Terminus
7.	Kwai Tsing	Kwai Hing MTR Bus Terminus
8.	Kwun Tong	Kowloon Bay Bus Terminus
9.	Kwun Tong	Laguna City Public Transport Terminus
10.	Northern	Sheung Shui Area 7B Bus Terminus (Landmark North)
11.	Sham Shui Po	Yen Chow Street Public Transport Terminus
12.	Shatin	Ma On Shan Town Centre Public Transport Terminus (Sunshine City)
13.	Shatin	Ma On Shan Plaza Bus Terminus (Lot 382)
14.	Shatin	Ma On Shan Area 90 Bus Terminus (Chung On Estate)
15.	Southern	South Horizon
16.	Tai Po	Tai Po KCR Station Bus Terminus
17.	Tsuen Wan	Sai Lau Kok Public Light Bus Terminus (Multi-storey Carpark)
18.	Tsuen Wan	New Tsuen Wan Ferry Bus Terminus
19.	Tsuen Wan	Bayview Garden Bus Terminus
20.	Tuen Mun	Tuen Mun Town Centre Bus Terminus
21.	Tuen Mun	Tuen Mun Pier Head Transport Interchange
22.	Tuen Mun	Sam Shing Transport Interchange
23.	Wong Tai Sin	Plaza Hollywood Public Transport Interchange (Diamond Hill)
24.	Yau Tsim Mong	Tsim Sha Tsui East Concordia Plaza Public Transport Terminus