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We refer to the 11th Quarterly EM&A Report for May 2008 to July 2008 that we received through email on 27 August 2008 and are pleased to confirm we have no comment on the report.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Introduction

This is the eleventh Quarterly Environmental Monitoring and Audit (EM&A) Summary Report prepared by Maunsell Environmental Management Consultants Limited (MEMCL), which changed the name to ENSR Asia (HK) Ltd. (ENSR) on 1 May 2007, for the "Temporary Construction Waste Sorting Facility at Tseung Kwan O Area 137" (The Project). This report documents the findings of EM&A Works conducted during the impact period from May 2008 to July 2008.

The construction activities carried out from May 2008 to July 2008 were:

- Operation of Construction Waste Sorting Facilities (CWSF) by mechanical sorting plant;
- Disposal of sorted waste to Landfill and Fill Bank;
- Maintenance work for haul road and mechanical sorting plant; and
- Operation of sorting facility at Area B3 and Area A2.

Environmental Monitoring Works

EM&A Programme

A summary of monitoring and audit activities conducted in the reporting quarter is listed below:

24-hour TSP monitoring	
1-hour TSP monitoring	
Environmental Site Inspection	

- 14 sessions
- 42 sessions
- 13 sessions

Air Quality

1-hr TSP Monitoring

All the monitoring data complied with the AL levels in the reporting quarter. The 1-hr TSP monitoring results remained at an acceptable level during the construction and operation of the CWSF.

24-hr TSP Monitoring

There was no AL level exceedance recorded in the reporting quarter. The 24-hr TSP monitoring results remained at an acceptable level during the construction and operation of the CWSF.

Complaints, Non-compliance and Prosecutions

Twenty (20) complaints were made against open burning and heavy smoke from Temporary Construction Waste Sorting Facility at TKO Area 137 in May 2008. The open burning incident was in fact a fire broke out at the non-inert stockpile at Area A2 on 19 May 2008. The fire was extinguished completely by fire officers on 22 May 2008. The cause of the fire is still under investigation. The Contractor agreed to take necessary measures to reduce chance of any future fire outbreak.

No prosecution or notification of summon was received in the reporting quarter.



1. INTRODUCTION

Scope of Report

1.1 This is the eleventh Quarterly Environmental Monitoring and Audit (EM&A) Summary Report for the Temporary Construction Waste Sorting Facility at Tseung Kwan O Area 137 (the Project). This report presents a summary of the environmental monitoring and auditing works carried out by the ET for the Project for the period from May 2008 to July 2008.

Project Organization and Contacts of Key Management

1.2 The project organization is shown in Appendix A. The key personnel contact names and numbers are summarised in Table 1.1

Party	Position	Name	Telephone	Fax
CEDD	CEDD Engineer		2762 5582	2714 0113
IC(E) (MateriaLab) IC(E)		Mr. Joseph Poon	2450 8238	2450 6138
Contractor	Project Manager	Mr. Joe Au	9378 3331	2623 9426
(Paul Y -CREC(HK) JV)	Site Agent	Mr. Y T Wong	9475 6376	
ET (ENSR)	ET Leader	Mr. Y T Tang	3105 8537	2891 0305

Table 1.1 Contact Information of Key Personnel

Construction Programme

- 1.3 The construction phase under Contract CV/2004/13 Temporary Construction Waste Sorting Facility at Tseung Kwan O Area 137 commenced on 12 November 2005. The activities during this reporting quarter included:
 - Operation of Construction Waste Sorting Facilities (CWSF) by mechanical sorting plant;
 - Disposal of sorted waste to Landfill and Fill Bank;
 - Maintenance work for haul road and mechanical sorting plant; and
 - Operation of sorting facility at Area B3 and Area A2.
- 1.4 The general layout plan of the Project sites showing the contract areas are shown in Figure 1.1.
- 1.5 The construction programme is provided in Appendix B.

2. ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING AND AUDIT REQUIREMENTS

Monitoring Parameters

- 2.1 The EM&A Manual designated a monitoring station to monitor environmental impacts on air quality due to the Project. The monitoring location is depicted in Figure 2.1.
- 2.2 The EM&A Manual also required environmental site inspections for air quality, noise, water quality, chemical and waste management and landscape and visual.

Environmental Quality Performance Limits (Action/Limit Levels)

2.3 The environmental quality performance limits (i.e. Action/Limit Levels) were derived from the baseline monitoring results of the Fill Bank at Tseung Kwan O Area 137, and are given in Appendix C.

Environmental Mitigation Measures

2.4 Relevant environmental mitigation measures were stipulated in the Particular Specification and EP (No.: EP-134/2002/F) for the Contractor to adopt. A list of mitigation measures and their implementation statuses are given in Appendix D.

3. MONITORING RESULTS

Air Quality

- 3.1 Air quality monitoring, including 1-hr and 24-hr TSP, was conducted three times a week and once a week respectively, in accordance with the EM&A Manual.
- 3.2 The weather was either sunny or rainy during the reporting period. The monitoring data and trend of air quality for the reporting quarter are given in Appendix E. Major dust sources of the temporary CWSF were dump truck traffic, dumping and sorting activities inside the CWSF. Other dust sources were the dump truck traffic inside and outside of the Fill Bank.
- 3.3 There was no AL level exceedance recorded in the reporting quarter.
- 3.4 Table 3.1 presents the number of exceedances recorded in each month of the reporting quarter. The number of monitoring events included regular monitoring events and additional ones, if any.

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Monitoring	Level of Exceedance	Month		
Parameter		May 08	Jun 08	Jul 08
1-hr TSP	No. of monitoring events	15	12	15
	Action	0	0	0
	Limit	0	0	0
	Total	0	0	0
24-hr TSP No. of monitoring events		5	4	5
Action		0	0	0
	Limit		0	0
Total		0	0	0

Table 3.1 Summary of Number of Exceedances for 1-hr & 24-hr TSP Concentration

Environmental Site Inspection

- 3.5 There were 13 site inspections conducted in the reporting quarter to monitor the implementation of proper environmental pollution control and mitigation measures for the Project. The major concerns for the Project are air quality and waste management on site. Dust emission during dumping activities, loading/unloading activities, manual sorting of non-inert waste and dump truck traffic on the haul road were observed during site inspections. General refuse was observed without proper collection.
- 3.6 General refuse was observed inside u-channel in Area B2 and deposited silt was observed accumulated in desilting pits and trapezoidal channel in Area A.
- 3.7 The implementation status of environmental mitigation measures are given in Appendix D.
- 3.8 Major dust sources in the temporary CWSF would be the dumping activities, loading/unloading activities, manual sorting of non-inert waste and dump truck traffic inside the CWSF. Mitigation measures, including operation of wheel-washing facilities has been implemented, more water sprinklers were installed and water browser has been deployed to dampen the haul road.
- 3.9 Besides the afore-said issues, the Contractor was reminded to maintain the drainage systems regularly. It was recommended to clear the silt in desilting pit and trapezoidal channel regularly, arrange additional maintenance for the silt trap at the wheel washing bay and oil interceptor pump pit before and after rainstorms so as to ensure their maximum treatment capacities.
- 3.10 The Contractor had obtained the effluent discharge license on 13 November 2006.

Advice on Solid and Liquid Waste Management Status

- 3.11 There was disposal of sorted inert material, sorted non-inert material, non-inert C&D waste and metal in the reporting quarter.
- 3.12 The Contractor was advised to provide drip trays to all chemicals containers and implement sufficient preventive measures, including placing tarpaulin sheets or drip tray on ground, during equipment maintenance works to avoid oil leakage on the ground. In the event of oil leakage, the Contractor should clean up the polluted soil and dispose of as chemical waste.

4. SUMMARY OF NON-COMPLIANCE (EXCEEDANCES) OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Summary of Exceedances and Review of the Reasons for non-compliance

4.1 There was no 1-hr and 24-hr TSP exceedance in the reporting quarter.

5. ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLAINTS, NOTIFICATION OF SUMMONS AND SUCCESSFUL PROSECUTION

- 5.1 Twenty (20) environmental complaints were received by the EPD regarding opening burning and heavy smoke from the Temporary Construction Waste Sorting Facility at TKO Area 137 in May 2008. Open burning was in fact a fire broke out at the non-inert stockpile at Area A2 at around 1:30am on 19 May 2008. The Contractor immediately reported the incident to FSD once the fire was detected. The fire was extinguished completely on 22 May 2008. The cause of the fire is still under investigation. Area A2 has been used as a temporary waste storing area since 16 May 2008 for temporarily storing the increased amount of non-inert waste, attributable to a strike of dump truck drivers since 5 May 2008. Hence, no materials/waste could be transported away from the facility before the end of the strike on 26 May 2008. Before the waste in Area A2 could be completely removed, water browser has been deployed for dampening the non-inert waste stored in Area A2 and the Contractor agreed to separate the stockpile into smaller stockpiles with sufficient separation in between to reduce the chance of fire outbreak.
- 5.2 No notification of summons and prosecution was received in the reporting quarter.
- 5.3 Table 5.1 summarized the complaints, summons and successful prosecution received in the reporting period.

	May 2008	June 2008	July 2008	Total
Complaints logged	20	0	0	20
Summons served	0	0	0	0
Successful Prosecution	0	0	0	0
Total	20	0	0	20

Table 5.1 Summary of Environmental Complaints and Prosecutions

6. COMMENTS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONCLUSIONS

Comments on Mitigation Measures

Air Quality

- 6.1 The major dust sources were the dumping activities, loading/unloading activities, manual sorting of non-inert waste and dump truck traffic on the haul road. Wheel-washing facilities have been implemented and water browser has been deployed to dampen the haul road.
- 6.2 The Contractor was advised to operate mist spraying systems and automatic water sprinklers in the temporary CWSF.
- 6.3 All vehicles should be washed before leaving the site egress by provision, operation and maintenance of automatic wheel washing facilities.

Water Quality

- 6.4 Maintenance of the drainage system, including the trapezoidal channels, is required.
- 6.5 Remove the stagnant water or provide pesticide for the stagnant water in the desilting chambers.

Chemical and Waste Management

- 6.6 Remove waste materials from site regularly to avoid accumulation.
- 6.7 Plants should be properly maintained to prevent oil leakage.
- 6.8 Oil stains on ground should be removed as soon as possible and the contaminated soil should be disposed of as chemical waste.
- 6.9 Handle and store chemical waste properly.
- 6.10 Provide and maintain sufficient drip trays for diesel drums, chemical containers, chemical waste storage drums and diesel operated generator.
- 6.11 Maintain good house keeping at works area.

Recommendations on EM&A Programme

- 6.12 The impact air quality monitoring programme confirmed that any air quality impact from the construction activities would be readily detected and timely actions could be taken to rectify any non-compliance.
- 6.13 The EM&A programme effectively monitored the environmental impacts from the construction activities and no particular recommendations were advised for the improvement of the programme.

Conclusion

- 6.14 Environmental monitoring of air quality (1-hr TSP and 24-hr TSP) for the Project was performed from May 2008 to July 2008. There was no AL level exceedance recorded in the reporting period.
- 6.15 Twenty (20) complaints were received by EPD against open burning and heavy smoke from the Temporary Construction Waste Sorting Facility at TKO Area 137 in May 2008. The open burning was in fact a fire broke out at the non-inert stockpile at Area A2 on 19 May 2008. The fire was extinguished completely by fire officers on 22 May 2008. The cause of the fire is still under investigation. The Contractor agreed to take necessary measures to reduce chance of any future fire outbreak.

6.16 No prosecution or notification of summon was received in the reporting quarter.