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Attn: Mr. David Sorton

22 May 2009

Dear Sir,

Contract No. KGS811 Kowloon Southern Link Independent Environmental Checker Audit Report for Haiphong Road Champion Trees

Reference is made to MTRC's correspondence (KSL09/KGS811/EN106/221069) dated 21 May 2009 attached the captioned report.

We hereby verify the captioned report is in compliance with the condition 4.9 of Environmental Permit No. EP-215/2005/B.

Should you have any queries, please feel free to contact me at 3105 8537.

Yours faithfully, For and on behalf of AECOM Asia Co. Ltd.

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### ARBORICULTURAL REPORT

ADDRESS: Kowloon Southern Link (KSL) Haiphong Road Champion Trees

**My Ref: PSY/090505(KSL/MTR)** 

### INTRODUCTION

This arboricultural report has been commissioned by the Hong Kong MTRC (Kowloon Southern Link – KSL) to present findings of a tree audit inspection on the impacts (if any) of the KSL project on the Champion Trees located along Haiphong Road Kowloon, as required by the environmental permit No. EP-215/2005/B.

It is confirmed by MTRC that the originally proposed subway under Haiphong Road for connection between the existing MTR TST station and the CAR has been shelved, hence no impact should be expected on the Champion Trees due to the project itself.

This audit is to verify and confirm the above situation.

## TREE INSPECTION

The tree audit inspection on the Champion Trees along Haiphong Road was conducted on the 4th May 2009 by Dr Peter YAU, Independent Consultant Arboriculturist from Australia.

Dr Peter Yau who conducted the audit inspection has the following requisite qualifications and experience in arboriculture:

- BSc (Hons)(HKU) MSc(For)(Oxford) PhD (For)(Melb) CBiol MIBiol
- Council Arboriculturist (Melbourne City Council) for 20 years (1976-1995)
- Lecturer in Arboriculture at Burnley College, University of Melbourne
- Supervisor of post-graduate research students (MSc-PhD) and thesis examiner University of Melbourne
- Consultant Arboriculturist for Government House Victoria, Royal Botanic Gardens Melbourne, State Government & Local Councils in Victoria, and Private Clientele
- Consultant Arboriculturist for Hong Kong Government Urban Council, Department of Leisure & Culture Services, MTR Corporation HKG
- Provider of arboricultural training to USD/LCSD/AFCD since 1994
- Expert Witness at VCAT and other courts of law in Victoria
- Member of Editorial Board Arboricultural Journal Published by Arbor Assn (UK)
- Presentations of talks, addresses, papers, publications in Arboriculture Conferences, Seminars, Forums, Industry Discussion Groups etc.

#### TREE AUDIT AND FINDINGS

There are a total of 14 Champion Trees assessed as following:-

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Arboricultural Consultant - Chartered Biologist

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Tree No. 1310 – Champion Tree No.27	Cinnamomum camphora – No impact
Tree No. 1313 – Champion Tree No.28	Celtis sinensis – No impact
Tree No. 1324 – Champion Tree No.29	Cinnamomum camphora – No impact
Tree No. 1328 – Champion Tree No.30	Cinnamomum camphora – No impact
Tree No. 1329 – Champion Tree No.31	Ficus microcarpa – No impact
Tree No. 1330 – Champion Tree No.32	Cinnamomum camphora – No impact
Tree No. 1333 – Champion Tree No.33	Cinnamomum camphora – No impact
Tree No. 1335 – Champion Tree No.34	Cinnamomum camphora – No impact
Tree No. 1337 – Champion Tree No.35	Cinnamomum camphora – No impact
Tree No. 1339 – Champion Tree No.36	Cinnamomum camphora – No impact
Tree No. 1349 – Champion Tree No.37	Cinnamomum camphora – No impact
Tree No. 1355 – Champion Tree No.38	Cinnamomum camphora – No impact
Tree No. 1361 – Champion Tree No.39	Cinnamomum camphora – No impact
Tree No. 1370 – Champion Tree No.40	Cinnamomum camphora – No impact

A number of trees have been pruned by the LCSD but this has nothing to do with MTRC KSL and definitely unrelated to the KSL project.

# **CONCLUSION**

I am of the opinion, and I confirm and verify that the MTRC KSL project has had no impact on the above Champion Trees located along Haiphong Road Kowloon. The environment permit condition has been complied with.

Dr Peter Yau MSc(Oxon) PhD(Melb) CBiol MIBiol Independent Arboricultural Consultant

5<sup>th</sup> May, 2009

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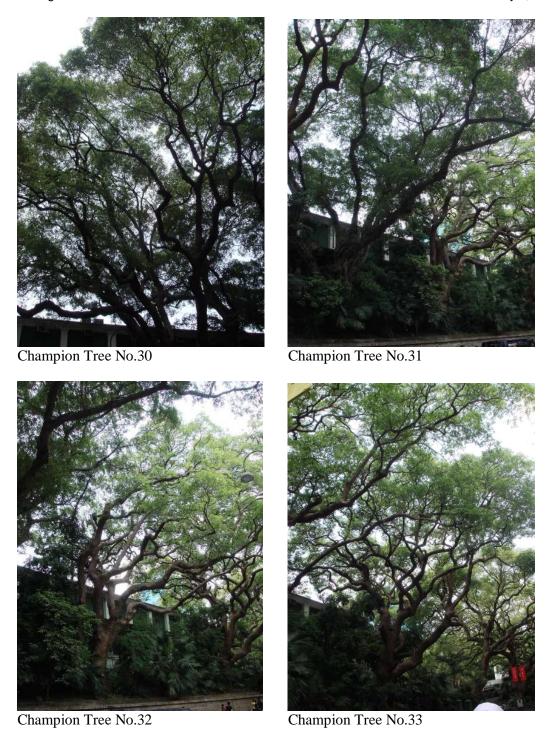
Champion Tree No.27

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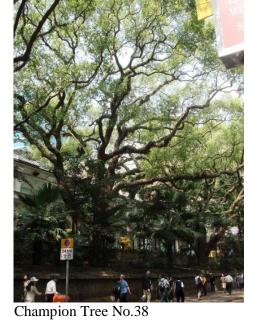


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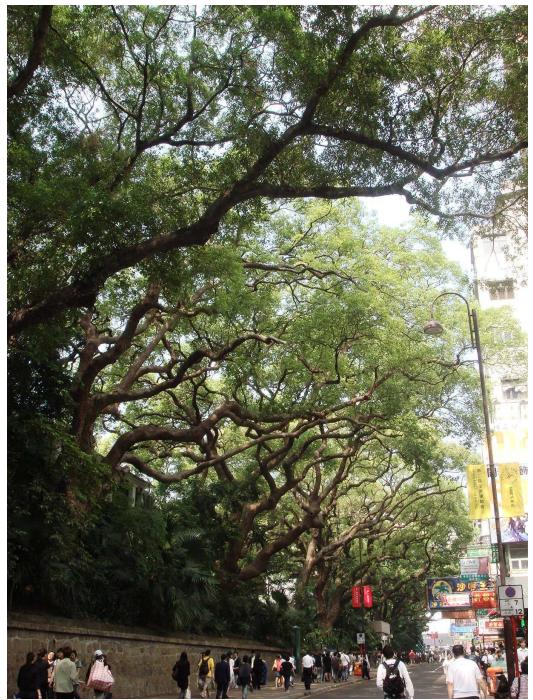


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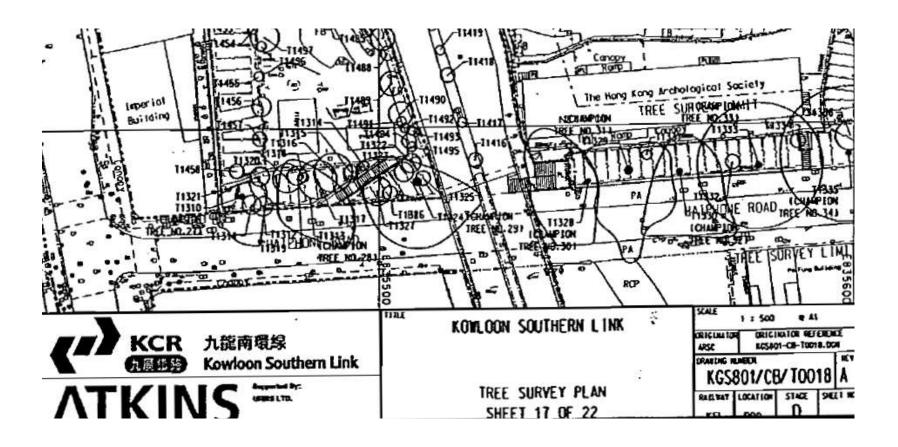


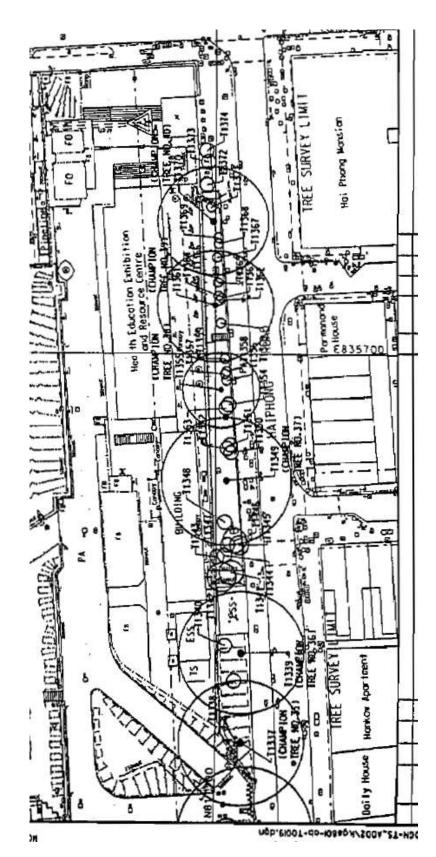
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VISTA OF ENTIRE LENGTH OF HAIPHONG ROAD TREES CANOPY VIEWED FROM PEKING ROAD END – 04/05/2009





PLAN OF HAIPHONG ROAD CHAMPION TREES