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Baseline Monitoring Report (Part 9)

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Background

MTR Corporation Limited (MTRCL) proposes to build a new railway line, the West Island Line (WIL) which is an extension of the Island Line to the Western District. The route length of the fully underground WIL is approximately 3 km with three new underground stations namely Sai Ying Pun Station (SYP), University Station (UNI) and Kennedy Town Station (KET).

Impact Assessment and Baseline Monitoring

With the development of the Environmental Monitoring and Audit Manual (EM&A Manual) in accordance with the guideline set out in the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) report prepared by ENSR Asia (HK) Limited in October 2008, Baseline Monitoring (Part 9) had been conducted for noise at the proposed monitoring location in the vicinity of Works Area L1 to establish baseline levels for noise for the civil construction work within Works Area L1.

Results and Conclusions

Baseline monitoring (Part 9) had been carried out in accordance with the recommendations contained in the Technical Memoranda associated with EIAO and Noise Control Ordinance, where applicable. Results and Conclusions of the report were presented in the subsequent sections of the Baseline Monitoring Report.

1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 BACKGROUND

The West Island Line Project

MTR Corporation Limited (MTRCL) proposes to build a new railway line, the West Island Line (WIL) which is an extension of the Island Line to the Western District. The route length of the fully underground WIL is approximately 3 km with three new underground stations namely Sai Ying Pun (SYP), University (UNI) and Kennedy Town (KET).

The location of works areas is shown in Figure 1.

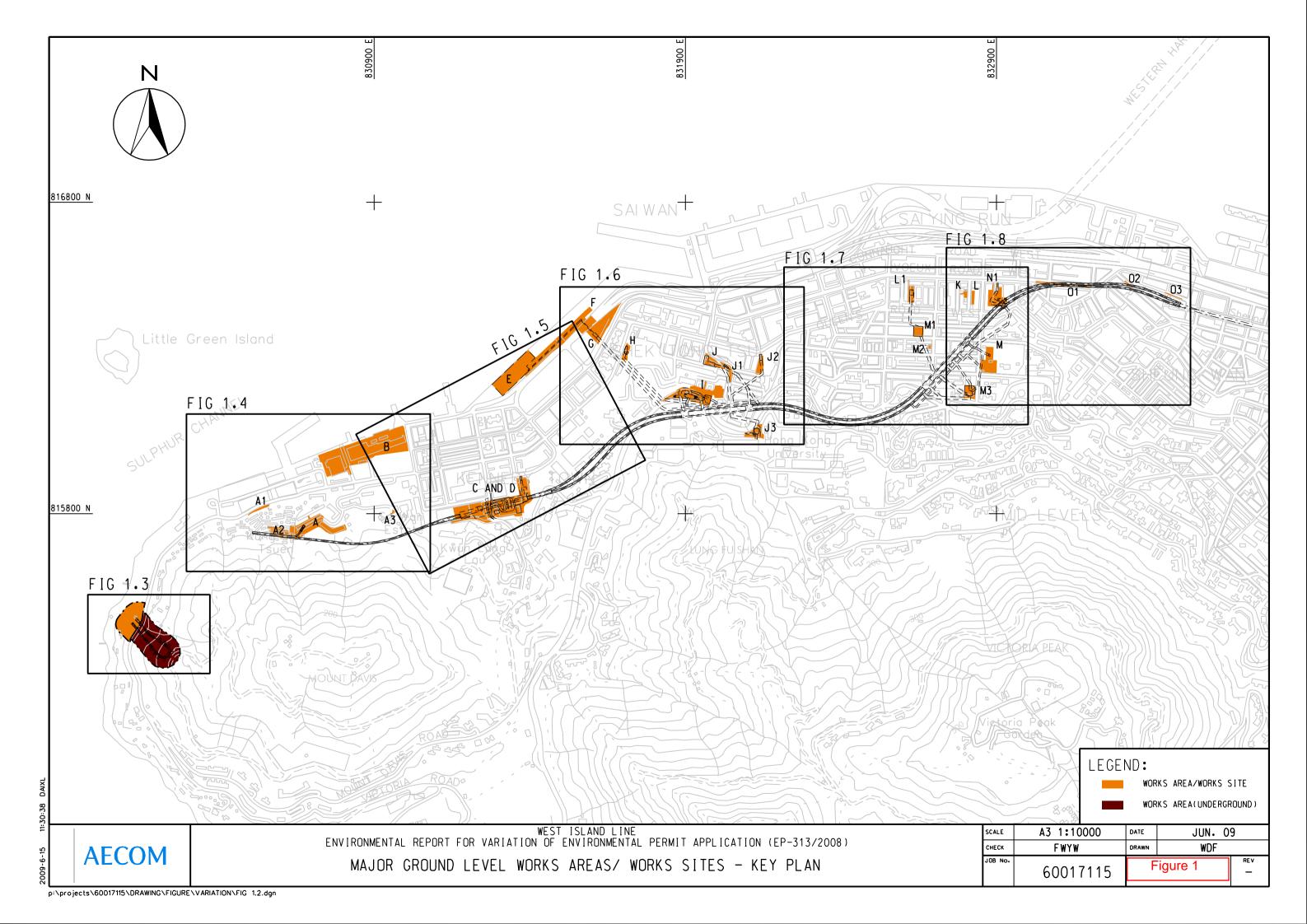
- 1.1.1 An EIA study (refer to EIA Report dated October 2008) has been conducted by ENSR Asia (HK) Limited for the proposed WIL Project. An EM&A Manual has provided guidelines in the preparation of this baseline monitoring report.
- 1.1.2 Baseline levels have been established for noise, by which the performance of the construction Contractor may be measured in meeting the required environmental protection standards and requirements under the Environmental Permit, during the course of the construction work. These are presented in subsequent sections of this report.
- 1.1.3 This Baseline Monitoring Report (Part 9) presents the results for the baseline monitorings conducted for noise at the proposed monitoring locations in the vicinity of Works Area L1 and establishes baseline levels for noise for the civil construction work within Works Area L1. Baseline monitorings for other works areas are to be conducted subsequently and the baseline monitoring reports for these works areas will be submitted accordingly.

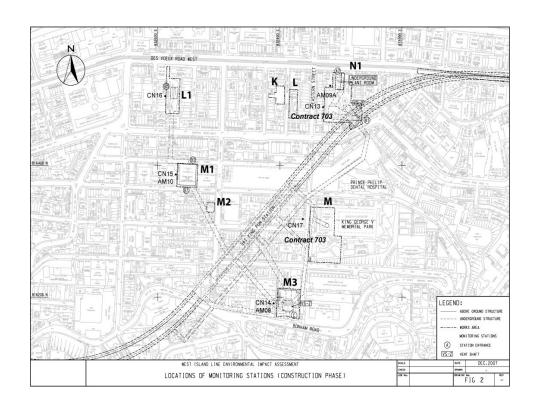
1.2 ORGANISATION OF THE REPORT

Following the introduction, the remainder of this Report is arranged as follows:

 Section 2 describes the noise quality monitoring methodology and analyses the monitoring results.

Section 3 Conclusions





2 NOISE

2.1 MONITORING METHODOLOGY

Monitoring was undertaken by the Environmental Team to establish noise baseline levels in the vicinity of the Works Area L1, to provide data against which any environmental impacts due to construction activities can be compared.

The baseline monitoring station as specified in the EM&A Manual were established at the following location, see Figure 2:

Consecutive noise measurements were undertaken over a period of at least 14 days to establish the ambient noise levels at representative nearest sensitive receivers. Continuous 5 minute A-weighted noise levels were recorded throughout the daytime, evening and night-time on weekdays (Monday to Saturday) and also on Sundays. The noise levels were presented for weekdays over each 30 minute period between 0700 and 1900hr to produce the baseline conditions.

Monitoring was conducted using B&K sound analysis equipment – B&K SLM 2236. Microphones were extended 1m from building facades and oriented towards the works area.

Weather conditions throughout the monitoring period were mild and relatively dry, with light wind normally from the east, with some days from the south. The average measured wind speed during the baseline monitoring was in the range $1.5-4 \mathrm{m/s}$.

2.2 CALIBRATION REQUIREMENTS

B&K 2236 sound level meters which complied with the International Electrotechnical Commission Publication 651:1979 (Type 1) and 804:1985 (Type 1), specification as referred to in the Technical Memoranda to the NCO were used for the baseline monitoring. The B&K sound level meters and B&K 4231 calibrator are verified by the certified laboratory or manufacturer once every two years by MaxLab Calibration Centre Limited to ensure they perform to the same level of accuracy as stated in the manufacturer's specifications. Calibration certificates are attached in Annex B.

Immediately prior to and following each set of measurements at any NSR, the accuracy of the sound level meter was checked using an acoustic calibrator generating a known sound pressure level at a known frequency. If the calibration levels before and after the measurement differ by more than 1.0dB the measurement shall be repeated to obtain a reliable result (note: maximum deviation during this initial baseline monitoring period was 0.3dB). Periods of prolonged or repeated overloading of the sound level meter detector were avoided by setting the meter with adequate headroom prior to commencing measurements. Measurements were recorded to the nearest 0.1 dB, with values of 0.05 being rounded up.

Limit levels for these locations are shown in *Table 3.3 a*.

Table 3.3a Limit Levels for Construction Noise

Time Period	Noise Level (dB) for NSR around Works Area L1
Daytime (0700-1900), Ithrough Saturday ex Public Holidays	•	$L_{\text{Aeq 30mins}}75^{(1)}$
All evenings (1900-2300))	Subject to control under the Noise Control Ordinance
General Holidays (inclu Sundays) during the and evening (0700-2300	daytime	Subject to control under the Noise Control Ordinance
All night time periods 0700)	(2300-	Subject to control under the Noise Control Ordinance

⁽¹⁾ Limit level guideline, for educational establishments the limit level shall be 70, reduced to 65 during examination periods.

2.3 MONITORING RESULTS

Noise baseline monitoring was conducted at the monitoring station CN16 between 18 January 2010 and 31 January 2010.

5 minute, "fast" detector response, levels were recorded in the following indices, L_{Aeq} , L_{A10} , L_{A90} . The baseline data was initially downloaded into a spreadsheet, directly from the noise loggers in ASCII format for checking, and then imported into the database. The L_{Aeq} , results for each 5 minute period of weekday were averaged. An average of two 24 hour Sunday periods was covered in the monitoring periods. 'Time Slot Averaged', 'Noise Control Period Averaged' baseline noise levels are presented for the monitoring location in *Annex A*.

At the monitoring station CN16, it was observed that the ambient noise from the open space at Ki Ling Lane contributed to the background noise.

3 CONCLUSION

3.1 BASELINE LEVEL

3.1.1 *Noise*

Baseline monitorings were conducted at the monitoring station, namely No.9-11 Ki Ling Lane (CN16) from 18 January 2010 to 31 January 2010. Baseline noise levels have been established for weekday and Sunday periods.

Baseline noise levels between 57.6 and 64.1 dB(A) had been recorded at the monitoring station CN16 from 0700 – 1900hr for the monitoring station.

The noise sources noticed at the monitoring station CN16 was the ambient noise from the open space at Ki Ling Lane in the vicinity.

3.2 ACTION AND TARGET LEVELS

3.2.1 *Noise*

Action level exceedance occurs when one or more documented complaints are received.

Limit level is set at $L_{Aeq\ 30mins}75^{(1)}$ for normal working hours (i.e. 0700-1900 hours on any day not being a Sunday or general holiday), as suggested in EIAO-TM and the Practice Note for Professional Persons ProPECC PN2/93. For restricted hours (i.e. 1900-0700 hours for weekdays and all day on Sundays and general holidays), limit level shall be subjected to control under the Noise Control Ordinance (NCO).

⁽¹⁾Limit level guideline, for educational establishments the limit level shall be 70, reduced to 65 during examination periods.

ANNEX A Noise Baseline Measurements

Noise Baseline Report

Project: West Island Line

Report for Location: No.9-11 Ki Ling Lane (CN16) Baseline between: 18/01/2010 - 31/01/2010

Report date: 28/06/2010

Parameter : Leq

Time Slot Average			
Weekdays Noise I	Level, dB(A)		
	LAeq,30min	L10	L90
07:00-07:30	57.6	59.5	54.5
07:30-08:00	58.8	60.3	56.3
08:00-08:30	58.9	60.3	56.7
08:30-09:00	60.4	62.1	57.9
09:00-09:30	61.6	63.5	59.2
09:30-10:00	61.7	64.0	58.5
10:00-10:30	62.5	63.8	58.9
10:30-11:00	60.9	62.5	58.7
11:00-11:30	61.2	63.4	58.5
11:30-12:00	61.3	63.2	58.9
12:00-12:30	60.6	61.9	57.9
12:30-13:00	60.3	61.6	58.0
13:00-13:30	60.9	62.4	58.8
13:30-14:00	61.9	63.5	59.3
14:00-14:30	63.2	64.5	60.2
14:30-15:00	64.1	65.5	60.1
15:00-15:30	62.0	63.6	59.1
15:30-16:00	62.9	65.7	58.9
16:00-16:30	61.8	63.6	58.9
16:30-17:00	62.5	63.9	58.9
17:00-17:30	61.8	63.1	58.6
17:30-18:00	60.4	61.9	58.3
18:00-18:30	60.2	61.5	58.2
18:30-19:00	59.4	60.7	57.5
Noise Control Pe	riod Averaged Baselines		
Weekdays Noise I	Level, dB(A)		
	LAeq,30min	L10	L90
07:00-19:00	61.4	63.0	58.5
	LAeq,5min	L10	L90
19:00-23:00	58.4	60.0	56.1
23:00-07:00	54.1	55.5	51.8
Sundays/General l	Holidays Noise Level, dB(A)		
	LAeq,5min	L10	L90
07:00-19:00	60.4	61.6	58.2
19:00-23:00	57.8	59.2	55.8
23:00-07:00	54.3	55.6	52.4

Logarithmic Averaging is being used.

ANNEX B

Calibration Certificates for Monitoring Equipment

Calibration Certificates for Sound Level Meter and Calibrator



IAXLAB CERTIFICATE CALIBRATION

Certificate Information

Date of Issue

30th December, 2008

Certificate Number

MLCN081194S

Customer Information

Company Name

Address

MTR Corporation Limited

MTR Tower, Telford Plaza,

33 Wai Yip St., Kowloon Bay, Kowloon,

Hong Kong

Unit Under Test (UUT)

Description

Precision Integrating Sound Level Meter

Manufacturer

Brüel & Kjær

Model Number

Type 2236

Serial Number

1794284

Equipment Number

Calibration Result

- The UUT range indication was found defective, but range selection and measurement were
- * All calibration results are within the manufacturer's specification.
- * Calibration data are detailed on the attached sheet(s).

Approved By

Laboratory Manager

- Calibration equipment used for this calibration are traceable to national / international standards.
- The results on this Calibration Certificate only relate to the values measured at the time of the calibration and the uncertainties quoted will not include allowance for the UUT long term drift, variation with environmental changes, vibration and shock during transportation, overloading, mishandling, misuse, and the capacity of any other laboratory to repeat the measurement.
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CALIBRATION CERTIFICATE

Certificate Information

Date of Issue

30th December, 2008

Certificate Number

MLCN081194S

Calibration Status

Date of Calibration

Calibration Equipment Used

Calibration Procedure

Calibration Uncertainty

30th December, 2008

4231 (MLTE008)/ CA0801167/ 24th Feb 2010

MLCG00 & MLCG15.

±0.2 dB

Calibration Condition

Lab

UUT

Temperature

Relative Humidity

Stabilizing Time

Warm-up Time Supply Voltage 23 °C ± 5 °C

 $55\% \pm 25\%$

24 hours

10 minutes Not applicable

Calibration 1	Data									
UUT Setting									UUT Error	
Frequency Wt.	Parameter	Response	Range (dB)	UUT R	dg	Std Rdg		UUT Error		Limit
A	SPL	F	20 - 100	93.9	dB	94	dB	-0.1	dB	0.7 dB
(1 kHz Input)		S		93.9	dB	94	dB	-0.1	dB	0.7 dB
		I		93.9	dB	94	dΒ	-0.1	ďΒ	0.7 dB
С		F	20 - 100	93.9	dB	94	dB	-0.1	dΒ	0.7 dB
(1 kHz Input)		S		93.9	dΒ	94	dΒ	-0.1	dB	0.7 dB
		I		93.9	dB	94	dB	-0.1	dB	0.7 dB
. L		F	20 - 100	94.0	dB	94	ďВ	0.0	dB	0.7 dB
(1 kHz Input)		S		94.0	dB	94	dB	0.0	dB	0.7 dB
		I		94.0	dB	94	dB	0.0	dΒ	0.7 dB
Α		F	40 - 120	113.9	dB	114	dB	0.1	dB	0.7 dB
(1 kHz Input)		·S		113.9	dB	114	dB	-0.1	dB	0.7 dB
		I		113.9	dB	114	dB	-0.1	dB	0.7 dB



MAXLAB CALIBRATION CERTIFICATE

Certificate Information

Date of Issue

6th November, 2008

Certificate Number

MLCN080969S

Customer Information

Company Name

Address

MTR Corporation Limited MTR Tower, Telford Plaza,

33 Wai Yip St., Kowloon Bay,

Kowloon, Hong Kong

Unit Under Test (UUT)

Description

Sound Level Calibrator

Manufacturer

Brüel & Kjær

Model Number

4231

Serial Number

1795385

Equipment Number

Calibration Result

- * All calibration results within the manufacturer's specification.
- * Calibration data are detailed on the attached sheet(s).

Approved By

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Laboratory Manager

- * Calibration equipment used for this calibration are traceable to national / international standards.
- * The results on this Calibration Certificate only relate to the values measured at the time of the calibration and the uncertainties quoted will not include allowance for the UUT long term drift, variation with environmental changes, vibration and shock during transportation, overloading, mishandling, misuse, and the capacity of any other laboratory to repeat the measurement.
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MAXLAB CALIBRATION CERTIFICATE

Certificate Information

Date of Issue

6th November, 2008

Lab

Certificate Number

MLCN080969S

Calibration Status

Date of Calibration

6th November, 2008

Calibration Equipment Used

4231 (Spec) (MLTE008)/ CA0801167/ 24th Feb 2008 1351 (MLTE049)/ MLEC08/06/02/ 14th Jun 2009

MLCG00 & MLCG15.

Calibration Procedure
Calibration Uncertainty

 $\pm 0.1 dB$

Calibration Condition

Temperature

23 °C ± 5 °C

Relative Humidity

 $55\% \pm 25\%$

UUT Stabilizing Time

24 hours

Warm-up Time

Not applicable

Supply Voltage

Not applicable

Calibration Date	^t a			
UUT Setting		STD Rdg	UUT Error	UUT Error Limit
94	dB	94.0 dB	0.0 dB	0.2 dB
114	dB	114.0 dB	0.0 dB	0.2 dB