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After the commencement of the operation of each of Unit No.1 and Unit No.2, the Permit Holder shall report to the Director on twelve months basis for the first three years of operation with the information to demonstrate that the CCGT Units have been operated as a priority plant during the reporting period. The reporting shall be made within three months of the end of each reporting period.

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background

The Castle Peak Power Company Limited (CAPCO) is a joint venture between CLP Power Hong Kong Limited (CLP) and China Southern Power Grid Company Limited with CLP as the operator. ERM-Hong Kong, Limited (ERM) and Mott MacDonald Hong Kong Limited were appointed by CAPCO as the Environmental Team (ET) and the Independent Environmental Checker (IEC), respectively, to undertake the Environmental Monitoring and Audit (EM&A) activities for the installation of CCGT Units No.1 and No. 2 of the Additional Gas-fired Generation Units Project at the Black Point Power Station (BPPS) ("the Project").

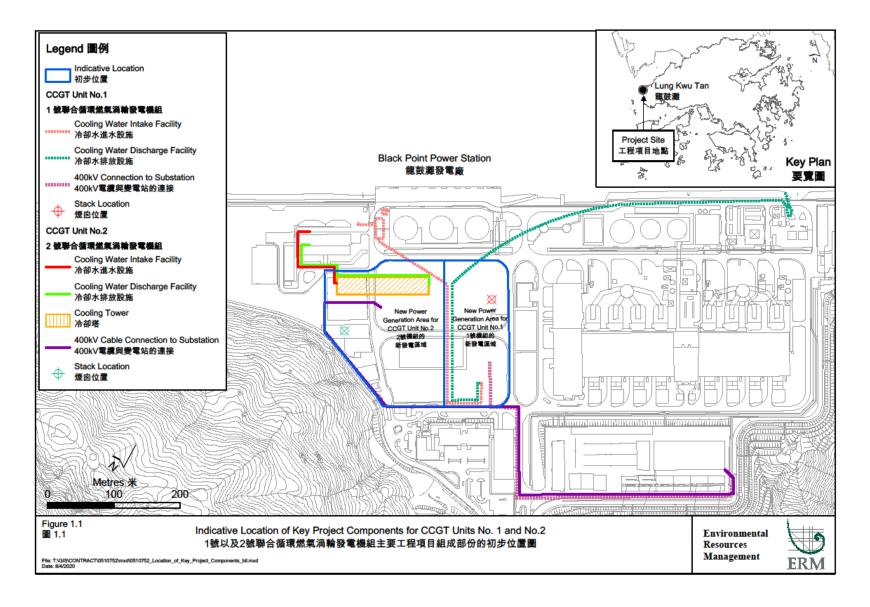
The scope of the Project involves the phased construction and operation of up to two additional combined cycle gas turbine (CCGT) units (with an installed capacity of up to 1,200 MW) at the BPPS. The additional generation units will be of CCGT configuration using natural gas as the primary fuel. It is a Designated Project under the *Environmental Impact Assessment Ordinance* (Cap. 499) (EIAO). The current EM&A Programme includes both the CCGT Units No. 1 (D1) and No. 2 (D2). The location plan of key Project components for CCGT Units No. 1 and No. 2 is shown in *Figure 1.1*.

An Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Report of the Additional Gas-fired Generation Units Project (Register No. AEIAR-197/2016) was approved in June 2016. An Environmental Permit (EP-507/2016) (EP) for CCGT Unit No. 1 was issued in June 2016. The EP had been varied and the latest varied EP (EP-507/2016/D) was issued on 21 December 2021.

1.2 Purpose of this Report

As per Condition 2.6 of the EP, the Permit Holder (CAPCO) is required to report to the Director of Environmental Protection (DEP) on twelve months basis for the first three years of operation with information to demonstrate that the CCGT Units have been operated as a priority plant. The purpose of this *Priority Plant Report for the First Year of Additional CCGT Commissioning* is to demonstrate that the CCGT Units have been operated as a priority plant during the first year of operation (i.e. 1 June 2021 to 31 May 2022).

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2. PRIORITY PLANT

2.1 Definition

A generation unit is considered a priority plant if it is dispatched in priority of other available generation units. A priority plant, under normal situations, will be dispatched as far as practicable and topped up by other available generation units to meet the required electricity generation demand. A priority plant will therefore be put into operation for a longer period of time compared with other available generation units. Operating hours of a generation unit in a year is thus a good indicator of whether it is a priority plant or not.

2.2 D1 Operation

In the approved EIA Report, the operation phase air quality impact assessment was conducted based on the assumption that the additional CCGT unit(s) would be operated as a priority plant over all available generation units in BPPS and Castle Peak Power Station (CPPS). Under normal situation, D1 is operated as priority plant for dispatch and topped up by other available generation units to meet the required electricity generation demand.

Operating hours of different generation units are reported to the government on annual basis. As discussed in **Section 2.1**, a priority plant will be utilised for longer hours in a year compared with other units, and thus its operating hours would be higher than that of other units in a year. There were 8760 hours within the reporting period (i.e. 1 June 2021 to 31 May 2022). The total operating hours of major CLP generation units in Hong Kong are shown in **Table 2.1** in descending order below. D1 has the highest operating hours among all major CLP generation units, having operated 84% of the time during the reporting period.

D1 has therefore been operating as a priority plant among all major CLP generation units during the reporting period.

Table 2.1 Operating Hours of Major CLP Generation Units in Hong Kong from 1 June 2021 to 31 May 2022

Major Generation Unit	Operating Hours	
D1	7,323 (84%)	
C8	6,520 (74%)	
C3	6,344 (72%)	
C5	6,109 (70%)	
C4	6,044 (69%)	
C6	5,589 (64%)	
C1	5,351 (61%)	
C7	5,069 (58%)	
C2	4,896 (56%)	
B4	4,561 (52%)	
B3	4,268 (49%)	
B1	3,731 (43%)	
B2	2,408 (27%)	
CPA ⁽¹⁾	734 (8%)	

Note:

(1) The data for CPA units were grouped to report due to the low utilisation of each unit.

3. CONCLUSIONS

This *Priority Plant Report for the First Year of Additional CCGT Commissioning* presents the operating hours of major CLP generation units recorded from 1 June 2021 to 31 May 2022.

The information provided has demonstrated that D1 has been operating as a priority plant during the first year of operation, in accordance with Condition 2.6 of the EP of the Project.

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