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Dear Ms U,

Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Ordinance, Cap. 499
Application for Environmental Impact Assessment Study Brief
Project Title: Development of the Loop – Eastern Connection Road
(Application No. ESB-375/2025)

Submission of Further Information

I refer to your letter dated 27 May 2025 requesting us to submit further information on the Project Profile (No. PP-685/2025) that was submitted to you on 14 May 2025 as part of the subjected application. We are writing to provide the following further information in response to your request in the aforesaid letter:

- (1) Clarification on the scale and scope of the Project mentioned in Section 1.4 of the Project Profile.
 - (i) The Eastern Connection Road (ECR) will be a single 4-lane two-way carriageway with a total length of approximately 2.5km. The exact scope and details of the works would be subject to further investigation and design.

- (2) Provision of preliminary layout plan(s) showing the location, design and profile of the proposed Project including bridge, depressed road and underpass mentioned in Sections 3.1.1, 3.2.1 and 3.3.1 of the Project Profile.
- (i) Please refer to **Appendix A** for the preliminary layout plan of the Project.
- (3) Clarification of the construction method(s) of the Project taking into account the ecologically sensitive areas within and in close proximity to the Project site.
- (i) Preliminarily, the ECR will be in the form of an underpass across the ecologically sensitive area including the Ecological Area in the Loop, the old Shenzhen River (Meander) and nearby fish ponds, with depressed roads at both ends connecting to at-grade roads.

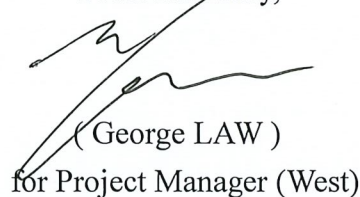
Cut-and-cover method with installation of sheetpiles as lateral support is proposed to form a cofferdam for constructing the underground structures including underpass and depressed road.

Subject to the ecological impact assessment findings, mitigation measures will be proposed for implementation during the construction stage to reduce ecological impact due to the Project.

Pursuant to Section 5(5) of the EIA Ordinance, the advertisement in both Chinese and English versions attached at **Appendix B** of this letter will be published on 10 June 2025 in Ming Pao (Chinese) and the Standard (English).

Should you have any queries concerning the above, please contact Mr. Ricky YIU at 2417 6370.

Yours faithfully,



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