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By Post and E-mail

Dear Sir,

RE: CONTRACT NO. CM 13/2016 INDEPENDENT ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKER FOR OPERATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING AND AUDIT FOR SIU HO WAN SEWAGE TREATMENT WORKS (SHWSTW) QUARTERLY ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING AND AUDIT (EM&A) REPORT (NOVEMBER 2020 TO JANUARY 2021)

Reference is made to the submission of Quarterly Environmental Monitoring and Audit (EM&A) Report (November 2020 to January 2021) (Report No.: 0041/17/ED/0615) received from the Environmental Team (ET), Fugro Technical Services Ltd., on 8 February 2021 via email.

We would like to inform you that we have no adverse comment on the captioned submission and hereby verify the same in accordance with Condition 4.3 of the Environmental Permit (EP) for the captioned Project (Permit No.: EP-076/2000).

Notwithstanding, please be reminded that the ET shall strictly follow Condition 4.3 of the EP to submit EM&A report within two weeks after the completion of each reporting period and the report shall be certified by the Independent Environmental Checker (IEC) before depositing with the Environmental Protection Department.

Should you have any queries, please feel free to contact the undersigned, or our Ms. Joanne NG, at 2815 7028.

Yours faithfully,

For and on behalf of **Allied Environmental Consultants Ltd.**

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Drainage Services Department (DSD) of Hong Kong Special Administrative Region has appointed Fugro Technical Services Limited (FTS) to undertake the Environmental Team services for the Project and implement the EM&A works.

This is the fourteenth Quarterly EM&A Report presents the environmental monitoring and audit works for the period between 1 November 2020 and 31 January 2021. As informed by the Contractor, major activities in the reporting period included:

November 2020 - January 2021
 Perform comprehensive operation and maintenance services for the electrical, mechanical and electronic systems/equipment at Siu Ho Wan Sewage Treatment Works (SHWSTW).
 Alleviate as far as practicable the impact that the facilities and sewage systems imposed on the environment of Hong Kong.

Breaches of Action and Limit Levels

Odour patrol monitoring was resumed and carried out on January 2020. The modified odour patrol monitoring plan including updated Event and Action Plan was approved on March 2020, and modified odour patrol monitoring was commenced from 20 March 2020. No exceedances of Action/Limit levels at Air Sensitive Receivers (ASR) and odour patrol points were recorded and no non-compliance of odour monitoring at ASR were recorded in the reporting period.

Water quality monitoring, sediment quality monitoring and benthic survey were carried out on December 2020. No specific Action/Limit level has to be followed since the purpose of the monitoring is to collect data for future purpose.

Complaint Log

There were no complaints received in relation to environmental impact during the reporting period.

Notifications of Summons and Successful Prosecutions

There were no notifications of summons or prosecutions received during the reporting period.

Summary of the Environmental Mitigations Measures

Mitigation measures specified in the EP and EIA Report such as aeration, chemical dosing system, covering or enclosing the pressing and sludge thickening facilities and ventilating air to a biological treatment unit prior to stack exhaust was implemented during the reporting period.

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background

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- 1.1.1 The Project "Upgrading of Siu Ho Wan Sewage Treatment Works" is to upgrade Siu Ho Wan Sewage Treatment Works (SHWSTW) from the preliminary treatment level to Chemically Enhanced Primary Treatment (CEPT) level with Ultraviolet (UV) disinfection facilities. The Project is required to comply with the Environmental Permit (EP) in respect of the construction and operation phases of the Plant.
- 1.1.2 Under the Environmental Impact Assessment Ordinance (EIAO), the Project was classified as "Designated Project". The Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) study was completed in September 1997 with the EIA Report of Register No. EIAR-124BC, Operational EM&A Plan and the EP of No. EP-076/2000 was issued in August 2000 to Drainage Services Department (DSD).
- 1.1.3 The CEPT part has been completed and was put into operation in March 2005. The UV disinfection works were substantially completed in December 2006. It is considered that the operation of the Project shall be deemed to start when the UV disinfection facilities have been completely installed and tested.
- 1.1.4 This Quarterly EM&A report is required under Section 8.5 of the OEM&A Plan. It is to report the results and findings of the EM&A programme required in the OEM&A Plan.
- 1.1.5 This is the twelfth quarterly OEM&A Report which summaries the impact monitoring results and audit findings for the Project within the period between 1 May 2020 and 31 July 2020.

1.2 **Project Description**

1.2.1 The project proponent was DSD. AECOM was commissioned by DSD as the Engineer for the Project. Allied Environmental Consultants Limited (AEC) was commissioned by DSD as the Independent Environmental Checker (IEC) in the operation phase of the Project. FTS was appointed as the ET by DSD to implement the EM&A programme for the operation phase of the Project including air quality monitoring, water quality monitoring, sediment quality and benthic survey and Chinese white dolphin (CWD) monitoring.

1.3 **Project Organization**

1.3.1 The project organization for environmental works is shown in **Appendix A**. The contact person and telephone numbers of key personnel for the captioned project are shown in **Table 1.1**.

Organization	Role	Contact Person	Telephone No.	Fax No.
DSD	Project Proponent Representative	Mr. Marcus Lau	2594 7218	3104 6426
AECOM	Engineer Representative (ER)	Ms. Joanne Tsoi	3922 9423	3922 9797
AEC	Independent Environmental	Ms. Grace Kwok	2815 7028	2815 5399

 Table 1.1
 Contact Persons and Telephone Numbers of Key Personnel

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	Checker (IEC)			
FTS	ET Leader (ETL)	Mr. Colin Yung	3565 4114	2450 8032

1.4 Work Undertaken during the Report Period

1.4.1 During this reporting period, the principal work activities included:

	November 2020 - January 2021
 Perform con and electron 	mprehensive operation and maintenance services for the electrical, mechanical nic systems/equipment at SHWSTW.
 Alleviate as the environi 	far as practicable the impact that the facilities and sewage systems imposed on ment of Hong Kong.

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2. SUMMARY OF EM&A REQUIREMENTS AND MONITORING RESULTS

2.1 **Monitoring Requirement**

- 2.1.1 In accordance with the approved OEM&A Plan, air quality monitoring (odour patrol monitoring, H₂S measurement and olfactometry analysis), water quality monitoring (onsite measurement and laboratory analysis), sediment quality & benthic survey at the designated monitoring stations are required. Data interpretation for the distribution and abundance of Chinese white dolphin (CWD) from the survey undertaken by the Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department (AFCD) is also required for CWD monitoring.
- 2.1.2 Air quality monitoring (H₂S concentration monitoring and Odour patrol) should be conducted on a weekly basis for six months during initial operation stage while the odour sampling for olfactometry analysis should be conducted on the first week of the odour patrol monitoring. As advice by EPD on the odour complaint received in November 2019, odour patrol monitoring was resumed on weekly basis since January 2020 and a modified version of odour patrol monitoring is proposed and approved on 13 March 2020. According to the approved proposal for odour patrol monitoring plan (0041/17/ED/0524G), a modified version of odour patrol monitoring was commenced from 20 March 2020. The Action and Limit Levels of the air quality monitoring are given in Appendix B.
- For water quality monitoring, sediment quality & benthic survey and CWD monitoring should be 2.1.3 carried out once per two months for a period of five years.

2.2 **Monitoring Locations**

- 2.2.1 H₂S concentration monitoring and odour sampling were temporarily suspended from 14 May 2018. According to the OEM&A Plan, odour patrol monitoring was carried out at ASR, Cheung Tung Road near the Bus Depot at the west of the Siu Ho Wan Treatment Plant. The location of ASR is shown in Figure 1.
- 2.2.2 According to the approved proposal for odour patrol monitoring plan (0041/17/ED/0524G), 9 odour patrol points is chosen to conduct the modified odour patrol from 20 March 2020 for collecting more representative data and identify the particular source of odour in the site. The nine odour patrol points are shown in **Table 2.1** and **Figure 2**.

Odour	Description			
Patrol Point				
OD1	Eastern Site Boundary			
OD2	Southern Site Boundary			
OD3	Western Site Boundary			
OD4	Northern Site Boundary			
OD5	Spur Road near Discovery Bay Tunnel Outlet			
OD6	Cheung Tung Road near the Bus Depot			
OD7	Cheung Tung Road near O·PARK1			
OD8	Sham Shui Kok Dr near MTR Depot			
OD9	Discovery Bay Tunnel Toll Plaza			

Table 2.1 Od	our Patrol Poin
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Note:

As access permission from the company of Discovery Bay Tunnel is under requisition progress, OD5 (Spur Road near Discovery Bay Tunnel Outlet) was not covered in odour patrol monitoring in the reporting period temporarily.

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2.2.3 In accordance with Section 5 of the EM&A Plan, water quality monitoring should be carried out at 8 designated monitoring locations (2 impact stations and 6 control stations). The monitoring locations shall be the same monitoring locations that were used for the baseline monitoring programme and have been approved by EPD. The coordinates of the monitoring location is shown in **Table 2.2**. The monitoring locations of water quality monitoring, Sediment Quality Monitoring and Benthic Survey are also shown in **Figure 3**.

Table 2.2Location of Water Quality Monitoring, Sediment Quality Monitoring and
Benthic Survey

Sampling Location		Easting	Northing
А	The Brothers, Control Station	816 100	822 500
В	The Brothers, Control Station	816 680	822 440
С	Siu Ho Wan Outfall, Impact Station	816 800	820 180
D	Siu Ho Wan Outfall, Impact Station	817 160	820 360
E	Cheung Sok, Control Station	819 817	821 655
F	Cheung Sok, Control Station	820 158	821 922
G	Tai Ching Chau, Control Station	822 214	822 692
Н	Tai Ching Chau, Control Station	822 494	822 939

2.3 Monitoring Parameter

2.3.1 The durations and frequencies of H₂S concentration measurement, odour patrolling and odour sampling are summarized in **Table 2.3** below.

Table 2.3 Durations and Frequencies of Air Quality Monitoring Programme

	Duration	Frequency
H ₂ S concentration		¹ Weekly basis for 6 months during the initial operation
monitoring	15 minutes	stage
Odour patrol		⁴ Weekly basis
Odour sampling for		
olfactometry	³ 15 minutes	² First week of the odour patrol monitoring
analysis		

Remark:

1) In case excessive odour nuisance was detected during the odour patrol monitoring or the standard of the 5 odour units cannot be complied with during the odour panel monitoring, the odour patrol monitoring and H_2S concentration monitoring shall be extended for a period of three months to cater for the warm-up period of the functioning of the additional mitigation measures.

2) In case the relationship between H_2S concentration (ppb) with the odour unit (OU/m3) cannot conclude from the correlation study carried out at the first week of the odour patrol monitoring due to invalid data, additional odour sampling for olfactometry analysis shall be carried out for the correlation study.

3) Sufficient air samples (approximate 60L) may be collected in less than 15 minutes during odour sampling.

4) As advice by EPD on the odour complaint received in November 2019, odour patrol monitoring was resumed on weekly basis from 15 January 2020.

2.3.2 The monitoring parameters for water quality monitoring are summarized in **Table 2.4**.

Table 2.4Parameters for Water Quality Monitoring

Monitoring Parameters						
In-situ Measurement	Laboratory Analysis					
Dissolved oxygen (mg/L)	<i>E. coli</i> (cfu/100ml)					

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Temperature (degree Celsius)	5-day BOD (mg/l)
pH value	Suspended Solids (mg/l)
Water depth (m)	Ammonia as N (mg/l)
Salinity (ppt)	Nitrate as N (mg/l)
Turbidity (NTU)	Nitrite as N (mg/l)
Current Speed (m/s)	Total inorganic nitrogen (mg/l)
Current Direction (degree magnetic)	Total phosphorus (soluble and particulate) (mg/l)

2.3.3 The monitoring parameters for sediment quality monitoring and benthic survey are summarized in **Table 2.5**.

Table 2.5 Parameters for Sediment Quality Monitoring and Benthic Survey

Monitoring Par	rameters				
Sediment Quality Monitoring	Rinsate Blank for Benthic Survey				
Grain size profile* (i.e. Particle Size	Cadmium (µg/L)				
Distribution) (%)					
Total organic carbon* (%)	Chromium (µg/L)				
pH value	Copper (µg/L)				
Ammonia as N (mg-N/kg)	Lead (µg/L)				
Total nitrogen (mg-N/kg)	Mercury ((µg/L)				
Total phosphorus (mg-N/kg)	Nickel (µg/L)				
Cadmium (mg/kg)	Zinc (µg/L)				
Chromium (mg/kg)	Arsenic (µg/L)				
Copper (mg/kg)	Silver (µg/L)				
Lead (mg/kg)					
Mercury (mg/kg)					
Nickel (mg/kg)					
Zinc (mg/kg)					
Arsenic (mg/kg)					
Silver (mg/kg)					

*Grain size profile and total organic carbon is determined from the sediment sampled collected for benthic survey.



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- 2.3.4 Apart from the parameters listed in the **Table 2.4** and **Table 2.5**, other relevant supplementary information such as monitoring location, time, weather conditions and any special phenomena shall be also recorded.
- 2.3.5 The tidal data will be obtained from the tide gauge installed in Ma Wan Marine Traffic Station, managed by the Hydrographic Office of Marine Department. Location of the tide gauge is shown in **Figure 4**. Tidal data obtained from Ma Wan Marine Traffic Station is present in **Appendix E**.

2.4 **Results and Observations**

2.4.1 As advice by EPD on the odour complaint received in November 2019, odour patrol monitoring was resumed on weekly basis. As access permission from the company of Discovery Bay Tunnel is under requisition progress, OD5 (Spur Road near Discovery Bay Tunnel Outlet) was not covered in modified odour patrol monitoring in the reporting period temporarily. The monitoring data was summarized in **Table 2.6**. The graphical presentation of air quality monitoring results is given in **Appendix C.**

Table 2.0 Summary of An Quanty Morn	toring bata in Reporting renou
	Monitoring Parameter
Monitoring Location	Odour Patrol [^] (Odour Level)
	Range
OD1	0 - 0
OD2	0 - 0
OD3	0 - 0
OD4	0 - 0
OD6	0 - 0
OD7	0 - 0
OD8	0 - 0
OD9	0 - 0

Table 2.6 Summary of Air Quality Monitoring Data in Reporting Period

Remark:

^Odour Level: 0 - Not detected, 1 - Slight, 2 - Noticeable/Moderate, 3 - Strong, 4 - Extreme

- 2.4.2 According to the approved EM&A plan, a correlation study has to be carried out to establish the relationship of H₂S concentration (ppb) with the odour unit (OU/m³). H₂S measurement and olfactometry analysis conducted between August 2017 and May 2018 was considered as unlikely way to establish the relationship of H₂S concentration (ppb) with the odour unit (OU/m³). Since six months air quality monitoring and additional three months air quality monitoring had been conducted according to Section 2.2 of OEM&A Plan without any complaint or non-compliance recorded, air quality monitoring was temporarily suspension on air quality monitoring was approved by EPD's memo dated 14 May 2018. In order to recommence the monitoring, a review on air quality monitoring had been carried out to determine reasonable odour-related criteria and was submitted to EPD for approval on 24 March 2020. Comments from EPD was received on 1 April 2020 and the review is currently under revision for further submission to the EPD.
- 2.4.3 Water quality monitoring, sediment quality monitoring and benthic survey were conducted on 17 December 2020 to collect data for future reference in accordance with Section 5.5 and 6.5 of the Operational EM&A Plan. Heavy marine traffic and construction works from expansion of Hong Kong International Airport were observed nearby the Project site and its vicinity and may affect the water and sediment quality. The above conditions may affect monitoring results. The

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summaries of results collected of the monitoring were presented in the below tables. The graphical presentation of water quality monitoring results, sediment quality monitoring and benthic survey results are given in **Appendix D** and **Appendix F** respectively.

Table 2.7	Summar	y of In-situ	Monitoring	Results on	17 December	r 2020 (D	epth – Average)
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Monitor Station	ing	рН	Salinity (ppt)	Temperature (degree Celsius)	Dissolved oxygen (ma/L)	Turbidity (NTU)	Current speed (m/s)	Current velocity (degree
				,				magnetic)
۸	Е	8.90	30.42	20.14	6.74	5.5	0.14	240.2
A	F	8.58	30.42	20.04	6.93	6.5	0.13	32.9
р	Е	8.49	30.54	20.28	6.66	6.3	0.18	62.4
D	F	8.82	30.51	20.29	6.58	4.7	0.32	89.4
C	Е	8.86	30.49	20.12	6.67	6.1	0.27	133.6
C	F	8.46	30.47	20.07	6.81	5.4	0.27	310.7
	Е	8.77	30.31	19.79	6.86	13.8	0.26	77.4
D	F	8.99	30.30	19.84	6.83	12.3	0.20	34.4
Е	Е	8.85	30.43	20.03	6.82	9.8	0.35	80.2
L	F	8.94	30.42	20.00	6.75	11.4	0.23	89.7
E	Е	8.88	30.44	20.00	6.71	11.2	0.26	84.5
Г	F	8.80	30.43	20.40	6.83	11.2	0.19	78.5
G	Е	8.79	30.44	20.12	6.69	11.3	0.21	164.4
9	F	8.42	30.45	20.21	6.68	10.7	0.29	119.1
Ц	E	8.70	30.41	20.08	6.73	14.5	0.23	300.8
П	F	8.37	30.45	20.13	6.68	14.8	0.17	286.9

Table 2.8 Summary of Laboratory Analysis Results on 17 December 2020 (Depth – Average)

Monitori	ng	TSS	NH ₃	NO ₂	NO ₃	TIN	E.coli	Total P	BOD₅
Station		(mg/L)	as N	as N	as N	(mg/L)	(cfu/100mL)	(mg/L)	(mg/L)
			(mg/L)	(mg/L)	(mg/L)				
۸	Е	8.9	0.129	0.032	0.175	0.337	83.5	0.02	<1.0
~	F	11.8	0.108	0.036	0.187	0.331	14.3	0.02	<1.0
D	Е	8.5	0.146	0.029	0.171	0.346	82.8	0.02	<1.0
D	F	8.0	0.130	0.032	0.176	0.338	80.7	0.02	<1.0
C	Е	9.5	0.128	0.034	0.173	0.336	57.2	0.02	<1.0
C	F	20.4	0.111	0.033	0.198	0.341	15.3	0.03	1.0
	Е	8.8	0.158	0.033	0.171	0.362	80.3	0.03	<1.0
D	F	20.3	0.114	0.031	0.189	0.334	30.7	0.02	<1.0
С	Е	9.5	0.142	0.031	0.166	0.339	88.3	0.02	<1.0
E	F	15.8	0.119	0.031	0.185	0.335	15.2	0.02	1.1
Б	Е	17.0	0.118	0.033	0.180	0.332	11.7	0.03	<1.0
Г	F	15.7	0.127	0.032	0.182	0.342	13.5	0.02	1.0
6	Е	20.5	0.119	0.031	0.181	0.331	12.2	0.03	<1.0
G	F	18.2	0.127	0.029	0.187	0.342	9.3	0.02	1.0
L	Е	16.4	0.097	0.034	0.190	0.321	2.7	0.02	<1.0
	F	16.1	0.105	0.028	0.192	0.325	3.2	0.03	1.0

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Table	2.9	Summai	Summary of laboratory analysis results for sediment monitoring on 1							17 De	cembe	er 2020	
Monitoring	рН	NH₃	Total	Total	Cd	Cr	Cu	Pb	Hg	Ni	Zn	As	Ag
Station	value	as N	Ν	Р	(mg/k	(mg	(mg	(mg	(mg/k	(mg	(mg	(mg	(mg/k
		(mg/L)	(mg-	(mg-	g)	/kg)	/kg)	/kg)	g)	/kg)	/kg)	/kg)	g)
			N/kg)	P/kg)									
A	8.4	0.9	1070	507	0.11	36.3	32.9	43.7	0.12	21.7	102	15.9	0.31
В	8.3	5.8	1120	459	0.11	38.1	36.0	41.9	0.11	22.8	108	12.2	0.34
С	8.3	12.0	1320	554	0.10	41.5	37.6	45.2	0.14	24.9	116	11.9	0.33
D	8.3	11.4	1450	538	<0.10	41.8	37.7	45.6	0.14	25.6	120	12.7	0.30
E	8.4	12.3	1370	517	0.10	41.4	39.7	47.5	0.13	25.5	121	11.1	0.42
F	8.4	3.7	1350	507	0.10	39.6	38.1	42.7	0.10	24.4	112	11.0	0.32
G	8.3	7.1	1170	471	0.11	39.2	52.8	47.2	0.11	23.7	115	11.0	0.35
H	8.3	2.3	1410	553	0.11	44.3	44.5	46.4	0.11	26.6	126	12.5	0.56

Table 2.10	Summary of laborator	v analysis results for benthic survey

Monitoring	Monitoring	Total organic	Grain size profile (%)				Description
Date	Station	carbon (%)	Gravel	Sand	Silt	Clay	
	А	0.82	1	16	44	39	Grey, slightly sandy SILT/CLAY with shell fragments
	В	0.83	1	28	42	29	Grey, slightly sandy SILT/CLAY with shell fragments
	С	0.94	0	5	55	40	Grey, slightly sandy SILT/CLAY with shell fragments
17 December	D	1.06	1	18	46	35	Grey, slightly sandy SILT/CLAY with shell fragments
2020	Е	0.98	0	10	53	37	Grey, slightly sandy SILT/CLAY with shell fragments
	F	0.93	0	9	52	39	Grey, slightly sandy SILT/CLAY with shell fragments
	G	0.86	2	15	48	35	Grey, slightly sandy SILT/CLAY with shell fragments
	Н	0.83	0	8	53	39	Grey, slightly sandy SILT/CLAY with shell fragments

2.4.4 The benthic survey results are analyzed and presented as below:

- I. December 2020
- II. Abundance

A total of 284 macrobenthic organisms was recorded from the eight monitoring stations during December 2020 monitoring period. Current results showed relatively lower abundances compared to both dry (March 2004) and wet (August 2004) seasons baseline data. However, current results showed increase in abundances of different faunal groups such as annelida, arthropoda and mollusca among others with respect to the previous monitoring period (October 2020). Seasonal variation of the macrobenthic abundances still remained statistically insignificant (F-value = 1.45; F-crit = 1.68; P-value = 0.12).

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The lowest abundance of 14 individuals (ind.) was recorded at Station H while the highest (64 ind.) was noted at Station B, both as reference stations. Current abundances in the impact stations C and D increased relative to October 2020 monitoring results. The rest of the remaining stations were also observed with increased abundances except Station F. Similar to the previous monitoring periods, differences in the total abundance across the monitoring stations were statistically significant (F-value = 2.86; F-crit = 2.07; P-value = 0.01).

III. Biomass

The total wet biomass recorded in the eight monitoring stations was 14.90 g with the highest biomass at Station E (5.94 g) and lowest at Station H (0.16 g). Similar with the October 2020 monitoring period, the current low total biomass observed was due to the absence of larger molluscan individuals in the community as the assemblage was still dominated by juvenile molluscs.

IV. Taxonomic Composition

A total of six phyla comprising of 29 families and 34 genera were identified. Macrobenthic assemblage remained to be dominated by annelids (50%), molluscs (25%) and arthropods (21%). Similar to the baseline study (August 2004), current results showed that the most dominant family was the annelid Capitellidae. Their dominance might indicate unbalanced and organically enriched habitats (Pearson and Rosenberg 1978; Borja et al. 2000). There is no dominant genera (member species > 10) recorded during the current monitoring period.

V. Diversity

Benthic diversity index (*H*') ranged from 2.07 to 2.13 in the impact stations while its values ranged from 1.75 to 2.55 among the different reference stations. Impact stations had comparable diversity values relative to reference stations. Meanwhile, in terms of evenness index (*J*) values, impact Station C had the lowest value (0.83) but was not significantly different from values of other stations including Stations F (0.84) and E (0.85). Current results indicated an overall increase in diversity and evenness values from the baseline survey condition.

Station	Abundance (ind.)	Total Biomass (g)	Number of Taxa	Diversity (H')	Evenness (J)
А	53	4.45	17	2.55	0.90
В	64	1.14	13	2.30	0.90
С	25	1.16	13	2.13	0.83
D	32	0.68	11	2.07	0.86
E	43	5.94	16	2.36	0.85
F	23	0.18	8	1.75	0.84
G	30	1.19	14	2.35	0.89
Н	14	0.16	9	2.11	0.96
TOTAL	284	14.90			

 Table 2.11
 Summary of Benthic Survey Data on 17 December 2020

2.4.5 The latest AFCD's report dated 21 July 2020, "*Monitoring of Marine Mammals in Hong Kong Waters (2019-20)*", in terms of the distribution and abundance of CWDs, was reviewed in the Monthly EM&A report in July 2020. According to the advice from AFCD, the data of distribution

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and abundance of CWDs would only be available in the annual reports for Monitoring of Marine Mammals In Hong Kong Waters which cover monitoring data from 1 April to 31 March (next year). The updated status of the distribution and abundance of CWDs will be provided once the annual report (2020-21) is uploaded to AFCD's webpage.

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3. ADVICE ON IMPLEMENTATION STATUS OF ENVIRONMENTAL MITGATION MEASURES

3.1 Implementation Status

3.1.1 Although no site inspection was prescribed during the operation of the Plant in accordance with the approved EM&A Plan, SHWSTW is reminded to fully and properly implement mitigation measures specified in the EP and EIA Report. Mitigation measures such as aeration, chemical dosing system, covering or enclosing the pressing and sludge thickening facilities and ventilating air to a biological treatment prior to stack exhaust was implemented in the reporting period. A summary of mitigation measures implementation schedule is provided in **Appendix H**.

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4. ADVICE ON THE SOLID AND LIQUID WASTE MANAGEMENT STATUS

- 4.1.1 SHWSTW is reminded to fully comply with EP conditions. All measures and recommendations in the EP, EIA Report and approved waste management plan shall be fully and properly implemented. During the reporting period, following measures in related to solid and liquid waste management was implemented:
 - The influent of waste water shall be treated by CEPT with UV disinfection;
 - Trip-ticket system shall be implemented for sludge and sediment;
 - The acceptance criteria for Landfill disposal should be followed;
 - Chemical waste should be properly handled and stored temporarily in designated chemical waste storage area on site in accordance with the Code of Practice on the Packaging, Labelling and Storage of Chemical Wastes.
- 4.1.2 A summary of mitigation measures implementation schedule is provided in **Appendix H**.

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5. SUMMARY OF EXCEEDANCE OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY PERFORMANCE LIMITS

- 5.1.1 Odour patrol monitoring was resumed from January 2020 and carried out in the reporting period. No exceedances of Action/Limit levels at ASRs were recorded.
- 5.1.2 Water quality monitoring, sediment quality monitoring and benthic survey were carried out on 17 December 2020. No specific Action/Limit level has to be followed since the purpose of the monitoring is to collect data for future purpose.

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6. SUMMARY OF ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLAINTS

6.1.1 No complaint (written or verbal), inspection notice, notification of summons or prosecution was received in relation to environmental impact during the report period. Summaries of complaints, notification of summons and successful prosecutions are presented in **Table 6.1** and **Table 6.2**.

Table 6.1	Cumulative	Statistics	on	Complaints
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Environmental Parameters	Cumulative No. Brought Forward	No. of Complaints This Month	Cumulative Project-to- Date
Air	0	0	1
Noise	0	0	0
Water	0	0	0
Waste	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0

Environmental Parameters	Cumulative No. Brought Forward	No. of Notification of Summons and Prosecutions This Month	Cumulative Project-to- Date
Air	0	0	0
Noise	0	0	0
Water	0	0	0
Waste	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0

6.1.2 The cumulative complaint log and summaries of complaints are presented in **Appendix G**.

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7. CONCLUSION

- 7.1.1 Odour patrol monitoring was resumed from January 2020 and carried out in the reporting period. The modified odour patrol monitoring plan including updated Event and Action Plan was approved on March 2020, and was commenced from 20 March 2020. No exceedances of Action/Limit levels at Air Sensitive Receivers (ASR) and odour patrol points were recorded and no non-compliance of odour monitoring at odour patrol points were recorded in the reporting period.
- 7.1.2 According to the approved EM&A plan, a correlation study has to be carried out to establish the relationship of H₂S concentration (ppb) with the odour unit (OU/m³). H₂S measurement and olfactometry analysis conducted between August 2017 and May 2018 was considered as unlikely way to establish the relationship of H₂S concentration (ppb) with the odour unit (OU/m³). Since six months air quality monitoring and additional three months air quality monitoring had been conducted according to Section 2.2 of OEM&A Plan without any complaint or non-compliance recorded, air quality monitoring was temporarily suspension on air quality monitoring was approved by EPD's memo dated 14 May 2018. In order to recommence the monitoring, a review on air quality monitoring had been carried out to determine reasonable odour-related criteria and was submitted to EPD for approval on 24 March 2020. Comments from EPD was received on 1 April 2020 and the review is currently under revision for further submission to the EPD.
- 7.1.3 Water quality monitoring, sediment quality monitoring and benthic survey were conducted on 17 December 2020 to collect data for future reference in accordance with Section 5.5 and 6.5 of the Operational EM&A Plan. The details of methodology and results collected of the monitoring were presented in Section 2. Heavy marine traffic and construction works from expansion of Hong Kong International Airport were observed nearby the Project site and its vicinity and may affect the water and sediment quality. The above conditions may affect monitoring results.
- 7.1.4 The latest AFCD's report dated 21 July 2020, "Monitoring of Marine Mammals in Hong Kong Waters (2019-20)", in terms of the distribution and abundance of CWDs, was reviewed in the Monthly EM&A report in July 2020. According to the advice from AFCD, the data of distribution and abundance of CWDs would only be available in the annual reports for Monitoring of Marine Mammals In Hong Kong Waters which cover monitoring data from 1 April to 31 March (next year). The updated status of the distribution and abundance of CWDs will be provided once the annual report (2020-21) is uploaded to AFCD's webpage.
- 7.1.5 SHWSTW is reminded to fully comply with EP conditions. All environmental mitigation measures and recommendations in the EP, EIA Report and approved waste management plan shall be fully and properly implemented.
- 7.1.6 No complaint (written or verbal), inspection notice, notification of summons or prosecution was received in relation to environmental impact during the report period.
- 7.2 Comment and Recommendations
- 7.2.1 The recommended environmental mitigation measures, as proposed in the EIA reports and OEM&A Plan were effectively and efficiently minimize the potential environmental impacts from the Project. Therefore, no complaint or non-compliance of monitoring were recorded during the reporting period. As inadequacy of representative data was result between August 2017 and

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May 2018, current H_2S measurement and olfactometry analysis was considered as unlikely way to establish the relationship of H_2S concentration (ppb) with the odour unit (OU/m³). Alternative methods shall be proposed and submitted for EPD's approval to ensure that EM&A programme could effectively monitor the environmental impacts generated from the site and ensure the proper implementation of mitigation measure.

7.2.2 According to the environmental monitoring performed in the reporting period, the following recommendations were made:

Air Quality Monitoring

 Since six months air quality monitoring and additional three months air quality monitoring had been conducted according to Section 2.2 of OEM&A Plan without any complaint or non-compliance recorded, air quality monitoring was temporarily suspension on air quality monitoring was approved by EPD's memo dated 14 May 2018. In order to recommence the monitoring, a review on air quality monitoring had been carried out to determine reasonable odour-related criteria and was submitted to EPD for approval on 24 March 2020. Comments from EPD was received on 1 April 2020 and the review is currently under revision for further submission to the EPD.

Water Quality Monitoring

• No specific observation was identified in the reporting period.

Sediment Quality Monitoring and Benthic Survey

• No specific observation was identified in the reporting period.

Chinese White Dolphin Monitoring

• No specific observation was identified in the reporting period.

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Figure 1

Monitoring Location of Air Sensitive Receiver



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Figure 2

Odour Patrol Points of Modified Odour Patrol



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Figure 3

Monitoring Location of Water Quality Monitoring, Sediment Quality Monitoring and Benthic Survey



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Figure 4

Location of the Tide Gauge

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Appendix A

Project Organization Chart

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Appendix B

Action and Limit Levels for Air Quality Monitoring

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Action and Limit Levels for Air Quality Monitoring

Parameter	Action	Limit
Odour Nuisance	One complaint received for specific odour event / Odour intensity of 2 or above is measured from odour patrol	Two or more independent complaints received for specific odour event in 3 months / Odour intensity of 3 or above is measured from odour patrol

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Appendix C

Graphical Presentation of Air Quality Monitoring



Note:

Y-axis refers to the Odour Level: 0 - Not Detected; 1- Slight; 2 - Moderate; 3 - Strong; 4 - Extreme



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Note:

Y-axis refers to the Odour Level: 0 - Not Detected; 1- Slight; 2 - Moderate; 3 - Strong; 4 - Extreme



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Remark:

As access permission from the company of Discovery Bay Tunnel is under requisition progress, the odour patrol monitoring will not cover OD5 (Spur Road near Discovery Bay Tunnel Outlet) temporarily.

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Appendix D

Graphical Presentation of Water Quality Monitoring





Salinity (ppt)



Salinity (ppt)



Temperature (degree C)







Dissolved oxygen (mg/L)



Turbidity (NTU)



Turbidity (NTU)





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E.coli (cfu/100mL)



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E.coli (cfu/100mL)



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BOD₅ (mg/L)



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Appendix E

Tidal Data obtained from Ma Wan Marine Traffic Station

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Appendix F

Graphical Presentation of Sediment Quality Monitoring and Benthic Survey











Total Nitrogen (mg-N/kg)






Cadmium (mg/kg)



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Cadmium (mg/kg)



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Chromium (mg/kg)



Chromium (mg/kg)



Copper (mg/kg)



Copper (mg/kg)



Lead (mg/kg)



Lead (mg/kg)



Mercury (mg/kg)



Mercury (mg/kg)



Nickel (mg/kg)



Nickel (mg/kg)



Zinc (mg/kg)



Zinc (mg/kg)



Arsenic (mg/kg)



Arsenic (mg/kg)



Silver (mg/kg)



Silver (mg/kg)



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Appendix G

Environmental Complaints Log

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Environmental Complaints Log

Complaint Log No.	Date of Complaint	Received From and Received By	Nature of Complaint	Investigation	
1	28 November 2019	EPD	According to EPD, a member of public complained that SHWSTW cause a malodour and was smelled as far as the Discovery Bay tunnel portal.	As advised by DSD, the operation of Siu Ho Wan Sewage Treatment Works was properly functioned and there was no special activity on 28 th November 2019. Due to the possibility of having unpleasant gases or odours emitted from these non-DSD premises cannot be precluded, the complaint is considered as non-project related.	

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Appendix H

Environmental Mitigation Implementation Schedule (EMIS)

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EP Ref.	EIA Ref.	WMP Ref.	Environmental Protection Measures	Location of the measures	Implementation Status
Air Q	uality		·		•
NA	4.5	NA	Odour reduction measures like aeration, chemical dosing system shall be implemented to reduce any odour impacts to an acceptable level.	SHWSTW	Implemented
3.4	4.5	NA	Sewage treatment works including sludge thickening tanks, the sludge pump house and sludge press house shall be completely enclosed.	SHWSTW	Implemented
3.4	4.5	NA	Exhaust air shall be ventilated to an odour scrubber prior to discharge. Ventilating air to a biological treatment unit with 95% odour removal efficiency prior to stack exhaust shall be implemented	SHWSTW	Implemented
Wate	r Quality			-	
3.3	NA	4.01	To avoid impacts on the marine ecology due to effluent discharge, the disinfection facility as in Part B of the EP shall be equipped with an UV disinfection system capable of removing at least 99.9% of E.coli from the sewage	SHWSTW	Implemented
Wast	e Manage	ment			
3.6	NA	NA	Transportation of sludge shall be carried out in fully enclosed containers, or be placed in sludge skips with tarpaulin covers	SHWSTW	Implemented
NA	NA	5.02	Trip-ticket system mentioned shall be implemented. Trip-ticket is required for each truckload delivered to the landfills facilities according to WBTC No. 31/2004.	SHWSTW	Implemented
NA	NA	5.02	The acceptance criteria for Landfill disposal shoula be followed, i.e. solid content of sludge waste should be more than 30%.	SHWSTW	Implemented
NA	NA	5.02	The disposal of grit & debris (if any) generated during primary screening works should follow the requirement set in the WMP Section 4.05.	SHWSTW	Implemented
NA	NA	5.03	The wet sludge should be temporarily stored at the sludge buffer tank. It should then be transported to the centrifuge building for dewatering and discharged to the container for disposal. The whole process should be managed by the automatic electronic electronic system and monitored by the operators during operation.	SHWSTW	Implemented
NA	NA	5.04	The other solid waste material such as sediment and grit, refuse containers or collection bags should be temporarily stored in slips at designated area. Operators should ensure sufficient space is identified and provided for temporary storage of waste materials to facilitate collection. Storage of waste material on site will be kept to a minimum to avoid nuisance to local residents.	SHWSTW	Implemented
NA	NA	5.05	Chemical wastes which likely to be generated by activities arise from the maintenance, shall followed the Waste Disposal (Chemical Waste) (General) Regulation, includes Schedule 1 of the Regulation.	SHWSTW	Implemented
NA	NA	5.06	In case of unlikely occurred chemical spillage, procedures should be followed as according to the WMP Section 5.06.	SHWSTW	Implemented
NA	NA	5.07	Temporary storage aareas should be identify and provided for the temporary storage of general	SHWSTW	Implemented

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EP Ref.	EIA Ref.	WMP Ref.	Environmental Protection Measures	Location of the measures	Implementation Status
			refuse to facilitate collection		
NA	NA	5.07	Domestics wastes refuse generated on-site will be stored in enclosed bins or compaction units separately	SHWSTW	Implemented
NA	NA	5.07	Sufficient dustbins should be provided for domestic waste if required.	SHWSTW	Implemented
NA	NA	5.07	Domestics wastes should be cleared daily and will be disposed off to the nearest licensed landfill or refuse transfer station.	SHWSTW	Implemented
NA	NA	5.07	Spearate labeled bins should be provided to segregate the waste generated by workforce. Waste recycle collector should be employed to collect the segregated waste	SHWSTW	Implemented
NA	NA	5.07	Cardboard and paper packaging (for plant, equipment and materials) should be recovered on site, properly stockpiled in dry condition and covered to prevent cross contamination by other materials.	SHWSTW	Implemented
NA	NA	5.07	Office waste should be minimized through using papers on both sides. Communication by electronic means should be used as far as possible.	SHWSTW	Implemented
NA	NA	5.07	The burning of refuse on-site is prohibited by law and shall not be undertaken	SHWSTW	Implemented
NA	NA	5.07	Toilet wastewater shall be transported to the STW for treatment	SHWSTW	Implemented
NA	NA	5.07	Arrangement for collection of recyclable materials by recycling contractors should be followed as according to the WMP Section 5.07.	SHWSTW	Implemented
NA	NA	5.08	All recycling materials removed by the recycling contractors should be properly recorded before the removal. The natures and quantities of the recycling materials, the date of removal and the name of the recycling contractor should be recorded.	SHWSTW	Implemented
NA	NA	5.09	To maintain the site in a clean and tidy condition during the operation, general measures specified in the WMP should be implemented on site at all times. Regular site inspections shall be undertaken by the management team to ensure the measures are implemented.	SHWSTW	Implemented
NA	NA	5.10	Daily cleaning should be performed daily after work within the plant and the public areas immediately next to the site.	SHWSTW	Implemented
NA	NA	5.11	The work officer in charge of the corresponding area should perform daily inspection on the items mentioned in the WMP Section 5.10. If observations were discovered, the work officer should record the result of the inspection on an inspection checklist with photos taken and submitted to the inspectors or Chief Technical Officer for review on the following day. Any deficient should be rectified promptly.	SHWSTW	Implemented
NA	NA	5.12	Weekly tidying should be performed weekly within the site.	SHWSTW	Implemented
NA	NA	5.13	The inspector should perform Weekly Inspection on the items mentioned in the WMP Section 5.12. If observations were discovered, the work officer should record the result on an inspection checklist and submitted to the Chief Technical Officer for review on the following day. Any deficient should be rectified promptly.	SHWSTW	Implemented

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EP	EIA	WMP	Environmental Protection Measures	Location of the	Implementation
Ref.	Ref.	Ref.		measures	Status
NA	NA	5.14	All wastes generated through the operational phase will be manages in accordance with the protocols set out in the WMP Section 5.14.	SHWSTW	Implemented