Short Term Tenancy (STT) No. CX1834, Government Land at Ling Kok Shan, Lamma Island Transposer Station for Digital Terrestrial Television Broadcasting

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Environmental Protection Department dated 15 June 2009 ref. EP2/G/Q/144 Pt.2	
I refer to the David S K Au & Associates Ltd's letter ref. DA07044/0134 dated 15 May 2009 depositing on your behalf the field survey report and the detailed design of protecting plant species Artocarpus hypargyreus for the captioned project under Conditions 2.3 and 2.4 of the Environmental Permit (EP) No. EP-261/2006.	
Please be advised that, subject to the incorporation of the attached comments, we will have no further comment on the submission.	Noted with thanks.
The submission for field survey and plant protection will be placed in the EIAO Register Office for access by the public. Please incorporate the attached comments and furnish us four hard copies and one electronic copy of the submission for use.	Noted the hard and soft copies of the report are provided with this resubmission. Please note that all of the changes to the content of the report have been underlined for your ease of reference.
Please be reminded to implement the plant protection measures in accordance with the submission.	Noted, temporary measures have been erected and these will be upgraded prior to the commencement of the next stage of the construction works.
Please note that the reply in this letter on the submission will not release any responsibility of you or your agents in complying with other requirements of the EP and other legal requirements.	Noted.
1. <u>Section 1.0 Introduction</u> - Please present clearly in the "Introduction" section that the purposes of the Report (submission) are :	
I to present the field survey findings about the presence or not of rare or protected plant species within and close to the Project site (re : EP Condition 2.4); and	Noted this text has been added to Section 2 which describes the Purpose of the Report.
I to show the locations of the plant species <i>Artocarpus hypargyreus</i> and to provide detailed design of the protection measures for the plant species <i>Artocarpus hypargyreus</i> (re : EP Condition 2.3).	As above.
2. <u>Section 4.0 Existing Vegetation</u> - According to the EP Condition 2.4, field	Noted a new survey (referred to as the phase 2 survey in the revised report

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	survey shall be conducted to ascertain any presence of rare or protected plant species within and close to the Project site. Please confirm explicitly in this section that the field survey has covered vegetation of all forms and that, apart from the 5 numbers of Arrocarpus hypargyreus identified, there is no other rare or protected plant species present.	has been undertaken) and one specimen of <i>Diospyros vacciniodes</i> identified was identified. This plant species is mentioned in the IUCN Red List of Threatened Species and is recorded as critically endangered and so will be protected using the same approach as the specimens of <i>Artocarpus hypargyreus</i> . It is understood from the ecologists findings that none of the other plant species identified on site are rare or protected.
3.	Section 5.2 - Please clarify or review the followings and rectify any inconsistencies:	
	I In s.5.2, protection fences for T2A to TSA are recommended to be erected at a distance of 2m from the central stem of the plant whilst, in Figure Nos.TVBL03A/TP2 - TP4, the protection zone is determined by the extent of existing crown. Please clarify;	Please note that the extent of the canopy is used for the T1 which is a tree whereas the other specimens T2A to T6A are too small for this method to be applied. In this case it was thought appropriate that the plants be protected with barrier two metres from the central stem.
	I Please review whether the spacing between T2A and T3A is sufficient for fencing at a distance of 2m from each plant; and	Noted, the protective fence for these plants will encircle both specimens.
	I In the last sentence, should " plants TA2 to TA5" be read as "plants T2A toT5A"?	Noted, the text has been revised accordingly.