

Project Title: South Island Line (East)

Reference of the Approved EIA Report in the Register: AEIAR- 155/2010 Conditions of Approval under Section 8(3) of the EIA Ordinance (the Ordinance)

The EIA Report as exhibited under Section 7(1) of the Ordinance is approved by the Director on the following conditions:

1. The applicant shall submit to the Director for approval, before commencing the construction of the project, a plan on the construction noise mitigation measures including Indirect Technical Remedies, for the 12 noise sensitive receiver (NSR) locations with EIA predicted exceedance on air-borne construction noise impact and two NSR locations with EIA predicted exceedance on ground-borne construction noise impact, having regard to the powered mechanical equipment, construction schedule and the latest planned construction methods.
2. The applicant shall set up a continuous noise monitoring mechanism at locations to be agreed with the Director, make available the results of the continuous noise monitoring mechanism to the public through the applicant's website during the construction stage, and take active remedial measures in the event that the measured noise levels exceed the worst-case scenario predicted in the EIA project or the levels as revised by the construction noise mitigation measures plan referred to in condition (1) above.
3. The applicant shall set up community liaison groups comprising representatives of concerned and affected parties, including owners' corporations, management offices, local committees and schools in the affected areas, to facilitate communications, enquiries and complaints handlings on all environmental issues. A designated complaint hotline shall also be set up for the project to address such concerns and complaints in an efficient manner. The community liaison groups shall follow up on the implementation of mitigation measures and other initiatives by the applicant such as Indirect Technical Remedies in the form of upgraded glazing and air-conditioning for eligible noise sensitive receivers affected by air-borne construction noise impacts, setting up of continuous construction noise monitoring mechanism and any need for web-cam monitoring.
4. The applicant shall submit a quality tree planting and landscape plan as well as post-planting care plan (for a period of three years), including the compensatory woodland and possibility of planting fruit-bearing species, for approval by the Director.
5. The applicant shall submit an updated construction and demolition (C&D) material management plan to the Director for approval before commencement of the construction works. The plan should include, but not limited to, designated transport routes, maximum volume of C&D materials to be handled per day, working hour and day, maximum number of truck movements per working day, list of measures to minimize potential environmental impacts due to handling of the materials both on site and off site, monitoring and auditing requirements to ensure implementation of the plan.
6. The applicant shall ensure that all diesel fuelled construction plant used by the contractors within the work sites are powered by ultra low sulphur diesel fuel.
7. The further information submitted by the applicant on 20 October 2010 under Section 8(1) of the Ordinance shall form part of the approved EIA report, and shall be placed on the Ordinance's Register and the Ordinance's website (<http://www.epd.gov.hk/eia>).

Environmental Protection Department
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