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Civil Engineering and Development Department

**Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Ordinance, Cap.499
Application for Approval of EIA Report**

**Project Title: Pier Improvement at Tung Ping Chau
(Application No. EIA-265/2020)**

I refer to your above application received on 20 August 2020 for approval of an EIA report under Section 6(2) of the EIA Ordinance and our previous letter of 6 October 2020 advising you to exhibit the EIA report for public inspection in accordance with Section 6(4) of the EIA Ordinance.

Having considered the public comments received during the public inspection period, the comments from the Advisory Council on the Environment (ACE) given to us on 8 December 2020, I now advise you under Section 8(3) of the EIA Ordinance that the above EIA report as exhibited under Section 7(1) of the EIA Ordinance is approved subject to the conditions at Annex 1, which shall be imposed, together with other relevant requirements, as conditions in the Environmental Permit for carrying out of the Project. In addition, recommendations from the ACE are contained in Annex 2 for your onward action.

It should be noted that the approval of the EIA report shall not relieve you of the responsibility to comply with other legislation or Government requirements for implementing the Project.

Under Section 15 of the EIA Ordinance, the approved EIA report (Register No. : AEIAR - 226/2020) will be placed on the EIA Ordinance Register. The approved EIA report and the conditions of approval will also be placed on the EIA Ordinance website (<http://www.epd.gov.hk/eia/>).

Should you have any queries on the above application, please contact my colleague Mr. Lawrence LIU at 2835 1142.

Yours sincerely,



(Stanley C.F. LAU)

Acting Principal Environmental Protection Officer
for Director of Environmental Protection

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ACE EIA Subcommittee Secretariat (Attn. : Ms. Becky LAM)

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Conditions of Approval under Section 8(3) of the EIA Ordinance

- (1) The project proponent shall submit a Pier Design Plan (the Plan) to specify the use of locally manufactured/recycled eco-materials, such as eco-tiles and eco-concrete in the design and construction of the pier with a view to enhancing ecological functions of the pier and minimizing the carbon footprint of the Project. The Plan shall be submitted to the Director of Environmental Protection (DEP) for approval before commencement of construction of the Project. Justifications shall be provided to the DEP when procurement of eco-materials manufactured by non-local markets is deemed necessary.

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**Recommendations from the Advisory Council on the Environment
for Carrying Out of the Project**

- (1) The project proponent should devise a schematic layout plan of pier design, subject to the consultation of the Director of Planning, to ensure that the final pier design could feature the uniqueness and natural setting of Tung Ping Chau, enhance the landscape quality and the geological significance of the Hong Kong UNESCO Global Geopark. The selection of colour scheme and material texture should harmonize and be compatible with the natural setting of Tung Ping Chau. Light-penetrating surfaces for walkway should be considered to enhance the visual permeability, improve and sustain the ecological connectivity of the pier;
- (2) The project proponent should prepare a post-translocation monitoring programme of the translocated coral colonies, subject to the consultation of Director of Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation, for evaluation of effectiveness and successfulness of coral translocation. The programme should include parameters including recruitment rate, growth rate, and survival rate of the translocated coral;
- (3) The project proponent should enhance the habitat quality subsequent to the translocation of the affected coral colonies, such as deploy artificial reefs at the coral donor sites, to enhance the biodiversity and ecosystem functions of Tung Ping Chau Marine Park; and
- (4) The project proponent should stay vigilant of any signs of Green Turtles before and during marine works, and adopt necessary precautionary measures to minimise any potential impact/disturbance to Green Turtles as far as possible.

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