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Drainage Services Department

Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Ordinance, Cap. 499
Application for Environmental Impact Assessment Study Brief
Project Title: Yuen Long Barrage Scheme
Application No.: ESB – 307/2018

I refer to your application received on 25 January 2018 for an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Study Brief for the above project under Section 5(1)(a) of the EIA Ordinance.

In accordance with Section 5(7)(a) of the Ordinance and after public inspection of the project profile, I issue the attached EIA Study Brief No. ESB-307/2018 for your preparation of an EIA report.

Under Section 15 of the EIA Ordinance, the EIA Study Brief will be placed on the EIA Ordinance Register. It will also be placed on the EIA Ordinance website (<http://www.epd.gov.hk/eia/>)

You may submit an application for approval of the EIA report in accordance with Section 6(2) of the Ordinance after its completion. Upon receipt of your application, this department will decide under Section 6(3) of the Ordinance whether the EIA report meets the requirements of the EIA Study Brief and Technical Memorandum on EIA Process, and accordingly advise you under Section 6(4) of the Ordinance whether a submission to the Advisory Council on the Environment (ACE) or its subcommittee is required. In this connection, you are required to provide sufficient copies of the Executive Summary of the EIA report to the Secretary of the EIA Subcommittee of ACE for selection for submission when you submit the EIA report to this department for approval. Please liaise with Ms Dora CHU (Tel: 2594 6324) of the ACE Secretariat regarding the details in due course.

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If the EIA report is selected by ACE for submission and presentation, you are expected to provide ACE with an account of the environmental issues arising from the project, major conclusions and recommendations of the EIA study. In particular, the main environmental concerns of the general public and interest groups who may be affected by the project should be identified and addressed in the EIA study. As such, you are strongly advised to engage the public and interest groups during the course of the EIA study. Please find attached a copy of the “Modus Operandi of the EIA Subcommittee of the ACE” for your reference.

Please note that if you are aggrieved by any of the content of this EIA Study Brief, you may appeal under Section 17 of the EIA Ordinance within 30 days of receipt of this EIA Study Brief.

Should you have any queries concerning the above, please contact Mr. Stanley LAU of this Department at 2835 1113.

Yours sincerely,



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for Director of Environmental Protection