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Dear Mr Cheng,

Submission to the Panel on Transport
on Visionary Transport Infrastructure Study 2030

The Authorities have invested considerable resources to study and propose solutions for Hong Kong's transport requirements. However, we believe that these have only been addressed in a piecemeal manner. Clearly a coherent and holistic approach is necessary to provide a vision for the future transport needs of our City. This strongly held belief has driven the Hong Kong Construction Association - Civil Engineering Committee to commission and direct a study known as "Visionary Transport Infrastructure Study 2030" under the auspices of the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport in Hong Kong led by Dr Hung Wing-tat of the Hong Kong Polytechnic University.

The study provides a comprehensive transport infrastructure vision for Hong Kong over the coming decades with views to reduce roadside pollution by moving away from dependence on oil-based and natural gas fuels. The study has developed 17 firm recommendations to take us forward, ranging from a solution to put a train-type service on the HZM Bridge, providing a cost-effective rail link to the Eastern New Territories, Electric bus services in Central and Tsim Sha Tsui, road pricing in the CBD, making cashless Autotoll compulsory on toll-roads, extensive improvement of pedestrian routes and footpath provision, to measures to improve marine cargo handling and customs clearance. All in all, the study concluded with 17 exciting and forward-thinking recommendations that we hope will arouse active public debate and help Hong Kong to operate efficiently and more healthily, and be the benchmark for other world cities to aspire to.

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We were also honoured to be given an opportunity to present the findings of the Visionary Transport Infrastructure Study 2030 to the Chief Executive's Office in preparation of the 2011-12 Policy Address, and some of the initiatives were announced by the Chief Executive speech last week. We are convinced the study findings could pave the way to the advancement of transport infrastructure development in Hong Kong and would be grateful if you would allow us to present the findings to the Panel of Transport in a forthcoming meeting.

Yours sincerely



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