

Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2008-09

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INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

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Programme: (3) Railway Development

Controlling Officer: Director of Highways

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Question:

The Shatin to Central Link is being reviewed having regard to the planning proposals from Kai Tak Planning Review and Wanchai Development Phase II Review under this programme. What is the anticipated completion date of the review and the commencement date of the construction works of Shatin to Central Link?

Asked by: Hon. LEONG Kah-kit, Alan

Reply:

The Government has asked the MTR Corporation Limited to proceed with the further planning and design of the Shatin to Central Link (SCL) project. We hope that the construction of the SCL can commence in 2010 for the Tai Wai to Hung Hom section to be completed in 2015 and the cross harbour section to be completed in 2019.

Signature _____

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