Roads (Works, Use and Compensation) Ordinance (Chapter 370)

Scheme annexed to Plans Nos. 287786/GAZ/1000 to 287786/GAZ/1012 under section 5 describing PWP Item No. 6461TH Central Kowloon Route

General Description of the Works

Under powers delegated by the Secretary for Transport and Housing under section 3(3) of the Roads (Works, Use and Compensation) Ordinance (Chapter 370) ("the Ordinance"), the Permanent Secretary for Transport and Housing (Transport) proposes to execute the road works within the limit of works area as shown on Plans Nos. 287786/GAZ/1000 to 287786/GAZ/1012 ("the Plans") annexed hereto and described hereunder. The proposed works serve to provide an approximately 4.7 kilometres long dual three-lane trunk road connecting West Kowloon Reclamation Area and the proposed Kai Tak Development. The proposed Central Kowloon Route will relieve traffic congestion on the existing roads across the central Kowloon area.

- 2. The general nature of the proposed works is as follows
 - (i) construction of a dual three-lane trunk road of approximately 4.7 kilometres (km) long connecting the Yau Ma Tei ("YMT") Interchange and the road networks on the proposed Kai Tak Development ("KTD") and Kowloon Bay. Approximately 3.9 km of the trunk road is in the form of tunnel with associated pedestrian cross passages;

- (ii) construction of approach roads connecting to the proposed tunnel portals;
- (iii) construction of slip roads connecting the proposed tunnel with YMT Interchange in the west, as well as the proposed KTD and Kowloon Bay in the east;
- (iv) construction of a footbridge across Kai Fuk Road;
- (v) modification and realignment of a section of Hoi Wang Road, Lin Cheung Road, Kai Fuk Road, Kai Cheung Road and Gascoigne Road Flyover;
- (vi) modification and realignment of a section of the access road to petrol filling stations in Kai Fuk Road eastbound;
- (vii) modification of the Kowloon City Ferry Pier Public Transport Interchange;
- (viii) permanent closure and demolition of sections of the existing at grade carriageways, elevated carriageways, at grade footpaths, pedestrian subways, central reserves/refuge islands and amenity areas;
 - (ix) permanent closure of sections of the existing at grade carriageways and elevated carriageways;
 - (x) permanent closure and conversion of sections of the existing at grade carriageways into elevated carriageways, at grade footpaths, central reserves/refuge islands and amenity areas;

- (xi) permanent closure and conversion of sections of the existing at grade footpaths into at grade carriageways, elevated carriageways, central reserves/refuge islands and amenity areas;
- (xii) permanent closure and conversion of sections of the existing central reserves/refuge islands into at grade carriageways and at grade footpaths;
- (xiii) permanent closure and conversion of sections of the existing amenity areas into at grade carriageways, at grade footpaths and central reserve/refuge island;
- (xiv) temporary closure and reconstruction of sections of the existing at grade carriageways, elevated carriageways, at grade footpaths, central reserves/refuge islands and amenity areas;
- (xv) temporary protection and precautionary works on existing seawall, as well as phased temporary reclamation of a total of approximately 3.8 hectares of Government foreshore and/or sea-bed at Kowloon Bay. After the construction of the relevant sections of the proposed tunnel, the temporary protection and precautionary facilities on seawall, as well as the phased temporary reclamation will be removed. Affected Government foreshore and/or sea-bed at Kowloon Bay will be reinstated; and
- (xvi) ancillary works including drainage and landscaping works; construction of noise barriers/enclosures, lifts and staircase; construction of pedestrian subway, administration building, ventilation buildings and associated ventilation facilities, as well as tunnel control operation facilities serving the proposed tunnel;

demolition of Government structures and public facilities, as well as reprovisioning of public facilities.

Creation of Easements and Other Permanent Rights

- 3. For the purposes of or incidental to the works or the use, the Permanent Secretary for Transport and Housing (Transport) proposes that powers under section 15 of the Ordinance may be exercised to create in, under or over the land as shown on Plan for Creation of Easements and Other Permanent Rights No. KM8911 annexed hereto and described in the table set out thereon the following easements and other permanent rights in favour of the Government—
 - (i) the right to construct, modify, extend, keep, retain, maintain and repair the proposed road tunnel and associated facilities for the Central Kowloon Route;
 - (ii) the right to manage, operate and use the proposed road tunnel and associated facilities for the Central Kowloon Route;
 - (iii) the right to enter and remain on the proposed road tunnel and associated facilities for the Central Kowloon Route;
 - (iv) the right of exclusive occupation and use of the proposed road tunnel and associated facilities for the Central Kowloon Route and the right to allow members of the public to use and occupy the proposed road tunnel for the Central Kowloon Route;

- (v) the right to enter, occupy or remain in, under or over the land for the purpose of carrying out management, operation, maintenance and repair works for the proposed road tunnel and associated facilities for the Central Kowloon Route; and
- (vi) the right to occupy and use the land and the right to permit and allow the contractors, employees, servants, agents, licensees and other authorized persons of the Government to occupy and use the land for any purpose incidental to any of the above purposes set out in paragraphs 3(i) to 3(v) above.

Further notice, setting out the manner in which easements and other permanent rights are to be created, will be issued under section 16 of the Ordinance as and when required.

Creation of Rights of Temporary Occupation of Land

4. For the purposes of or incidental to the works or the use, the Permanent Secretary for Transport and Housing (Transport) proposes that powers under section 15 of the Ordinance may be exercised to create, in favour of the Government, rights of temporary occupation of the land as shown on Plan for Creation of Rights of Temporary Occupation of Land No. KM8910 annexed hereto and detailed in the table set out thereon. By the creation of such rights, the Government, its contractors, employees, servants, agents, licensees and any other person authorized or permitted by the Government are given full rights and liberty to enter, occupy or remain on that portions of land and to use such portions of land

as works areas and other uses for the purposes of or incidental to the works described in paragraph 2 above or the use. Further notice, setting out the manner in which the land is to be temporarily occupied, will be issued under section 16 of the Ordinance as and when required.

Roads to be Closed and Government Foreshore and/or Sea-bed to be Reclaimed

5. For the purposes of or incidental to the works or the use, the Permanent Secretary for Transport and Housing (Transport) proposes that powers under section 17 of the Ordinance may be exercised to close permanently sections of the existing at grade carriageways, elevated carriageways, at grade footpaths, pedestrian subways, central reserves/refuge islands and amenity areas and temporarily sections of the existing at grade carriageways, elevated carriageways, at grade footpaths, central reserves/refuge islands, amenity areas and open space; and to reclaim the Government foreshore and/or sea-bed within the limit of works area as shown on the Plans. Temporary alternative accesses will be provided and temporary diversions will be carried out during the construction period as and when required. Further notice, setting out the manner in which such at grade carriageways, elevated carriageways, at grade footpaths, pedestrian subways, central reserves/refuge islands, amenity areas and open space are to be closed and such Government foreshore and/or sea-bed are to be reclaimed, will be issued under section 18 of the Ordinance as and when required.

Inspection and Preventive and Remedial Work on Land and Buildings

- 6. For the purposes of or incidental to the works or the use, the Permanent Secretary for Transport and Housing (Transport) proposes that powers under section 19 of the Ordinance may be exercised to enter any land or building situated wholly or partly within the limit of works area, or wholly or partly within 70 meters thereof for the purpose of
 - (i) making any inspection, valuation, site investigation or test, including drilling, excavating or the installation or removal of instruments;
 - (ii) surveying or taking levels; and
 - (iii) setting out any line of works

in connection with the works, the use, an assessment of the value of any land, building or other property or in order to ascertain the condition of the land or building; and carry out all reasonably necessary operations of a preventive or remedial nature. Further notice, setting out the purpose of the entry and the nature of any operations to be carried out, will be issued under section 19 of the Ordinance as and when required.

Apparatus whose Course or Position to be Altered

7. For the purposes of or incidental to the works or the use, the Permanent Secretary for Transport and Housing (Transport) proposes that powers under section 20 of the Ordinance may be exercised to require alteration of the course or position of the existing utility services, such as electricity cables and ducts, telecommunication cables and ducts, water-mains, gas pipes and other apparatus lying within the limit of works area and to require repairing of any road surface thereby disturbed. Further notice, setting out the manner in which the course or position of such apparatus is to be altered and the repair of any road surface, will be issued under section 20 of the Ordinance as and when required.

Control of Building Plans and Commencement of Work

8. The Permanent Secretary for Transport and Housing (Transport) proposes that the Building Authority may exercise its powers under section 22 of the Ordinance in respect of any building works on the land shown and described on the Control of Building Plans and Commencement of Work Plans Nos. 287786/CKR/3301 and 287786/CKR/3302 annexed hereto which would be incompatible with the works and the use.

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