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Dear Sir/Madam,

**Broad Development Parameters of
the Indicative Development Proposal in Respect of Application No. Y/I-NEL/1**

1. Green Power, a local charitable green group, would like to draw Town Planning Board (TPB)'s attention to our support to the captioned application to rezone the application site from "Other Specified Uses" annotated "Container Terminal", "Other Specified Uses" annotated "Container Back-up Area" and "Open Space" to "Other Specified Uses" annotated "Reserved for General Marine Functions Uses".
2. The application site and the associated islands are important habitats, both marine and terrestrial, of species of conservation value including rare Sea Pens (Order: Pennatulacea;), White-bellied Sea Eagles (*Haliaeetus leucogaster*) and Bogadek's Burrowing Lizard (*Dibamus bogadeki*) which is endemic to Hong Kong and it is listed as "Endangered" in IUCN Red List of Threatened Species.
3. In addition, the Administration pledges "Conservation for the South" for Lantau in *Sustainable Lantau Blueprint* in order to protect the ecology, environment and natural landscape of Southern Lantau and adjoining water. Therefore, compatible zonings, whatever on lands or seas, should be designated to prevent against incompatible developments.
4. On the other hand, HKSAR is obligated to fulfill Convention on Biological Diversity. The captioned re-zoning application can achieve the corresponding goals (Strategic Goals) and targets (Aichi Biodiversity Targets) under the Strategic Plan 2011-2020, i.e.

Strategic Goal B: *Reduce the direct pressures on biodiversity and promote sustainable use*
Target 5: *By 2020, the rate of loss of all natural habitats, including forests, is at least halved and where feasible brought close to zero, and degradation and fragmentation is significantly reduced.*

Strategic Goal C: *To improve the status of biodiversity by safeguarding ecosystems, species and genetic diversity*
Target 11: *By 2020, at least 17 per cent of terrestrial and inland water, and 10 per cent of coastal and marine areas, especially areas of particular importance for biodiversity and ecosystem services, are conserved through effectively and equitably managed, ecologically representative and well connected systems of protected areas and other effective area-based conservation measures, and integrated into the wider landscapes and seascapes.*

5. We urge TPB to approve the re-zoning application with designation of zoning contents for long-term preservation of sea and islands as important habitats for threaten species, and for implementation of Convention on Biological Diversity locally.

Thank you very much for kind your attention. We look forward to your favourable decision.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Cheng Luk-ki". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

CHENG Luk-ki
Director
GREEN POWER