RNTPC Paper No. A/SLC/184A For Consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee on 6.9.2024

APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

APPLICATION NO. A/SLC/184 (for 2nd Deferment)

<u>Applicant</u>	: CLP Power Hong Kong Limited represented by Hargreaves Power Services (HK) Limited
<u>Site</u>	: Government Land in D.D. 328L, Tong Fuk, Lantau
<u>Site Area</u>	: About 15m ²
Land Status	: Government Land
<u>Plan</u>	: Approved South Lantau Coast Outline Zoning Plan No. S/SLC/23 (currently in force)
	Draft South Lantau Coast Outline Zoning Plan No. S/SLC/22 (at the time of submission)
Zoning	: "Coastal Protection Area" [No change to the zoning]
Application	: Proposed Public Utility Installation (Poles, Stays and Overhead Cables) and Associated Excavation and Filling of Land

1. Background

- 1.1 On 3.4.2024, the applicant sought planning permission for a proposed public utility installation (poles, stays and overhead cables) and the associated excavation and filling of land at the application site (**Plan A-1**).
- 1.2 On 24.5.2024, the Rural and New Town Planning Committee (the Committee) of the Town Planning Board (the Board) agreed to defer making a decision on the application for two months, as requested by the applicant, to allow time for preparation of Further Information (FI) to address departmental comments.
- 1.3 On 15.7.2024, the applicant submitted FI to address departmental comments. The application is scheduled for consideration by the Committee at this meeting.

2. <u>Request for Deferment</u>

On 27.8.2024, the applicant's representative wrote to the Secretary of the Board and requested the Board to defer making a decision on the application for two months in order to allow time to prepare FI to address departmental comments (**Appendix I**).

3. Planning Department's Views

- 3.1 The Planning Department <u>has no objection</u> to the request for the second deferment as the justification for deferment meets the criteria for deferment as set out in the Town Planning Board Guidelines on Deferment of Decision on Representations, Further Representations and Applications made under the Town Planning Ordinance (TPB PG-No. 33B) in that the deferment would allow the applicant to prepare FI to address outstanding issues.
- 3.2 Should the Committee agree to defer making a decision on the application, the application will be submitted to the Committee for consideration within two months upon receipt of FI from the applicant. If the FI submitted by the applicant is not substantial and could be processed within a shorter time, the application could be submitted to an earlier meeting for the Committee's consideration. The applicant should be advised that the Committee has allowed a total of four months for preparation of the submission of FI. The second deferment should be the last deferment and no further deferment would be granted unless under very special circumstances and supported with strong justifications.

4. Decision Sought

The Committee is invited to consider whether or not to accede to the applicant's request for deferment. If the request is not acceded to, the application will be submitted for the Committee's consideration at the next meeting.

5. <u>Attachments</u>

Appendix IEmail dated 27.8.2024 from the applicant's representativePlan A-1Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT SEPTEMBER 2024