RNTPC Paper No. A/YL-NSW/327A For Consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee on 4.10.2024

APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

APPLICATION NO. A/YL-NSW/327

(for 2nd Deferment)

Applicant: CLP Power Hong Kong Limited represented by Pacific Extend Limited

Site : Government Land (GL) in D.D. 123, Pok Wai South Road, Yuen Long

Site Area : About 24 m²

Lease: : GL

Plan : Draft Nam Sang Wai Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/YL-NSW/9

(currently in force)

Approved Nam Sang Wai Outline Zoning Plan No. S/YL-NSW/8

(at the time of submission)

Zoning : "Conservation Area" ("CA")

[no change on the current OZP]

Application: Proposed Public Utility Installation (Low Voltage Underground Cable) and

Associated Excavation and Filling of Land

1. Background

- 1.1 On 15.4.2024, the applicant submitted the current application to seek planning permission for proposed public utility installation (low voltage underground cable) and associated excavation and filling of land at the application site (**Plan A-1**).
- 1.2 On 7.6.2024, 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, in order to allow time for preparation of further information (FI) to address departmental comments. On 7.8.2024, the applicant's representative submitted FI to address departmental comments.

2. Request for Deferment

On 27.9.2024, 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 for preparation of FI to address departmental comments (**Appendix I**).

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3. Planning Department's Views

- 3.1 The Planning Department <u>has no objection</u> to the request for the second deferment as the justifications for deferment meet 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 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 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. <u>Decision Sought</u>

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 to the Committee for consideration at the next meeting.

5. Attachments

Appendix I Letter from the applicant's representative received on 27.9.2024

Plan A-1 Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT OCTOBER 2024