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By Hand and Email

Town Planning Board
15/F, North Point Government Offices
333 Java Road,
North Point, Hong Kong

Dear Sirs,

**S.16 Planning Application No. A/KTN/104
Proposed Filling of Land for Site Formation Works
for Permitted Agricultural Use**



Clarification on Purpose under Application

I refer to our application for permission under Section 16 of the Town Planning Ordinance (Cap.131) with application no. A/KTN/104 dated 19 April 2024.

2. We would like to provide clarification on the purpose for which permission is applied for under the captioned application. The original application stated 'proposed land filling', but for the reasons in paragraph 3 to 5 below, it is considered better and more appropriate to revise this to 'proposed land/pond filling' to reflect the aforesaid purpose more accurately.

3. The Application Site is now generally covered by vegetation and, in the center of the southern area of the Application Site, there appears to be a dried-up pond as suggested by a desk-top review of the aerial photos (taken from September 1999 to December 2022) from Appendix H (i.e. Geotechnical Planning Review Report) to the Planning Statement, which showed no sign of surface water on the Application Site since 1999.

4. Furthermore, according to the official survey data from the Lands Department, there is no pond within the Application Site boundary. Given that the Application Site has been covered in vegetation since 2002, the information available does not allow the boundary of the dried-up pond to be defined.

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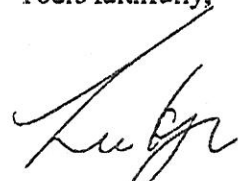
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5. The Notes of the approved Kwu Tung North Outline Zoning Plan indicate that permission from the Board is required for any land/pond filling within the "Agriculture (1)" zone. In view of the above situation, it is decided to revise the purpose of permission this application sought to 'proposed land/pond filling'.


6. I attach a copy of the revised planning statement including its appendices. The revision mentioned in paragraph 2 above has been made to pages 1 to 19 of the planning statement, and to pages 1 to 2 of its Appendix H and pages 8 to 10 of its Appendix K. I also attach a copy of the responses to the departmental comments received during the circulation of the application.

Yours faithfully,



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