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AT CONSTRUCTION PHASE**

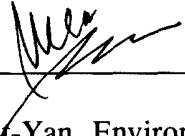

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This is the twelfth monthly Environmental Monitoring and Audit (EM&A) report for the Project “Construction of Lamma Power Station Extension” prepared by the Environmental Team (ET). This report presents the results of impact monitoring on air quality, noise and marine water quality for the said project in March 2002.

Air, noise and water quality monitoring were performed. The results were checked against the established Action/Limit (AL) levels. An on-site audit was conducted once per week. The implementation status of the environmental mitigation measures, Event/Action Plan and environmental complaint handling procedures were also checked.

Construction Activities Undertaken

Construction activities for site formation during the reporting month were placing of drainage layer and rockfill, seawall construction, sand filling, and piling of foundation for link bridge.

Construction of transmission system commenced in March 2002. The construction activity in the month was erection of hoarding.

Environmental Monitoring Works

All monitoring work at designated stations was performed as scheduled in the reporting period.

Air Quality

No exceedance of Action and Limit levels for air quality was recorded in the month.

Noise

Construction work for Lamma Extension was carried out during the restricted hours including evening-time, holidays and night-time under valid Construction Noise Permits. No exceedance of Action and Limit levels for noise arising from the construction of Lamma Extension and Transmission System was recorded in the month.

Water Quality

There was one (1) case of Action Level exceedance and one (1) case of Limit Level exceedance for water quality in the reporting month. Both cases of action/limit level exceedance were contributed by SS. For these exceedances, comprehensive investigations have been carried out. It was found that no noticeable sediment plume migration from the direction of the site to the sampling location was observed. Hence, the exceedances were considered not related to site activities and have been explained to the satisfaction of EPD. No further action was required.

Site Environmental Audit

Site audits were carried out on a weekly basis to monitor environmental issues on the construction site. The site conditions were generally satisfactory. All required mitigation measures were implemented.

Environmental Licensing and Permitting

Description	Permit No.	Valid Period		Issued To	Date of Issuance
		From	To		
Varied Environmental Permit	EP-071/2000/B	13/07/01	-	HEC	13/07/01
Construction Noise Permit	GW-UW0522-01	16/01/02	11/07/02	Contractor	16/01/02
Construction Noise Permit	GW-UW0036-02	06/03/02	31/08/02	Contractor	06/03/02
Dumping Permit	EP/MD/02-073	07/10/01	06/04/02	Contractor	05/10/01

Implementation Status of Environmental Mitigation Measures

Environmental mitigation measures for the construction activities as recommended in the EM&A manual were implemented in the reporting month.

Environmental Complaints

One complaint against excessive noise emission from the construction activities was received via EPD in the reporting month. Though the case could not be justified, EPD had reminded HEC to pay attention to the construction work to avoid complaints and HEC had followed up with the contractors accordingly.

Future Key Issues

The future key issues to be considered in the coming month are as follows:

Site Formation

- to continue monitoring the noise level during construction and to ensure compliance with the CNP's already obtained;
- to continue the preventive measures for noise exceedance and keep monitoring/reviewing the performance;
- to keep reviewing the monitoring results in order to take corresponding action to ensure the sea water quality;
- to provide routine inspection and necessary maintenance for the silt curtain;
- to install silt curtain at the temporary opening between the constructed seawalls, which protrude above the seawater surface, when the sand filling for the platform shall take place behind it;
- to provide de-silting utilities for wastewater before being discharged from the bored piling works;

Transmission System

- to ensure that all excavated materials and debris are covered by debris shelter or sprayed with water;
- to continue monitoring the noise level during construction;
- to continue the preventive measures for noise exceedance and keep monitoring/reviewing the performance;
- to erect hoarding along the boundary of construction sites before the commencement of civil work;

- to closely monitor the construction activities in order to avoid disturbance to the rare plants;
- to provide temporary fire fighting equipment for prevention of fire within the work sites.

Concluding Remarks

The environmental performance of the project was generally satisfactory.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background

The Environmental Team (hereinafter called the “ET”) was formed within the Hongkong Electric Co. Ltd (HEC) to undertake Environmental Monitoring and Audit for “Construction of Lamma Power Station Extension” (hereinafter called the “Project”). Under the requirements of Section 6 of Environmental Permit EP-071/2000/B, an EM&A programme for impact environmental monitoring set out in the EM&A Manual (Construction Phase) is required to be implemented. In accordance with the EM&A Manual, environmental monitoring of air quality, noise and water quality and regular environmental audits are required for the Project.

The Project involves the construction of a gas-fired power station employing combined cycled gas turbine technology, forming an extension to the existing Lamma Power Station. The key elements of the Project including the construction activities associated with the transmission system and submarine gas pipeline are outlined as follows.

- dredging and reclamation to form approximately 22 hectares of usable area;
- construction of six 300MW class gas-fired combined cycle units;
- construction of a gas receiving station;
- construction of a new transmission system linking the Lamma Extension to load centres on Hong Kong Island;
- laying of a gas pipeline for the supply of natural gas to the new power station

This report summarizes the environmental monitoring and audit work for the Project for the month of March 2002.

1.2 Project Organisation

An Environmental Management Committee (EMC) has been set up in HEC to oversee the Project. The management structure includes the following:

- Environmental Protection Department (The Authority);
- Environmental Manager (The Chairman of the Environmental Management Committee);
- Engineer;
- Independent Environmental Checker (IEC);
- Environmental Team (ET);
- Contractor.

The project organisation chart for the construction EM&A programme is shown in Appendix A.

1.3 Construction Works undertaken during the Reporting Month

Construction activities for site formation undertaken during the reporting month were placing of drainage layer, rock fill, construction of seawall, sand filling, piling of foundation for link bridge and construction of transmission system. Layout plans for site formation and transmission system are shown in Figure 1.1 and Figure 1.2 respectively.

The main construction activities carried out during the reporting month and the corresponding environmental mitigation measures are summarized in Table 1.1. The implementation of major mitigation measures in the month is provided in Appendix J.

Table 1.1 Construction Activities and Their Corresponding Environmental Mitigation Measures

Item	Construction Activities	Environmental Mitigation Measures
Site Formation		
1	Placing of Drainage Layer and Rockfill, Seawall Construction & Sandfilling	<p>Water Quality</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Silt curtain installed on the eastern, southern and north western sides of the site; <p>Noise</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - General noise mitigation measures employed at all work sites throughout the construction phase. <p>Waste Management</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Waste Management Plan submitted and implemented. <p>Marine Ecology</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All construction related vessels approached the site from the designated route/channel to avoid possible disturbance to the finless porpoise.
2	Piling Foundation for Link Bridge	<p>Water Quality</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - De-silting system installed to treat the wastewater before being discharged. <p>Noise</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - General noise mitigation measures implemented and silenced type equipment deployed. <p>Air</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dust suppression measures implemented.

Construction of Transmission System		
3	Erection of Hoarding	Water Quality <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Debris & excavated materials covered by debris shelter. Noise <ul style="list-style-type: none">- General noise mitigation measures employed at all work sites throughout the construction phase. Terrestrial Ecology <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Special care and close monitoring to avoid disturbances to the rare plant species.- Temporary fire fighting equipments provided within the work area during construction.

1.4 Summary of EM&A Requirements

The EM&A program requires environmental monitoring for air, noise and water quality. Regular environmental site audits for air quality, noise, water quality and waste management were carried out. The detailed EM&A monitoring work for air quality, noise and water quality are described in Sections 2, 3 and 4 respectively.

The following environmental audits are summarized in Section 5 of this report:

- Environmental monitoring results;
- Waste Management Records;
- Weekly site audit results;
- The status of environmental licensing and permits for the Project;
- The implementation status of environmental protection and pollution control/mitigation measures.

Future key issues will be reported in Section 6 of this report.

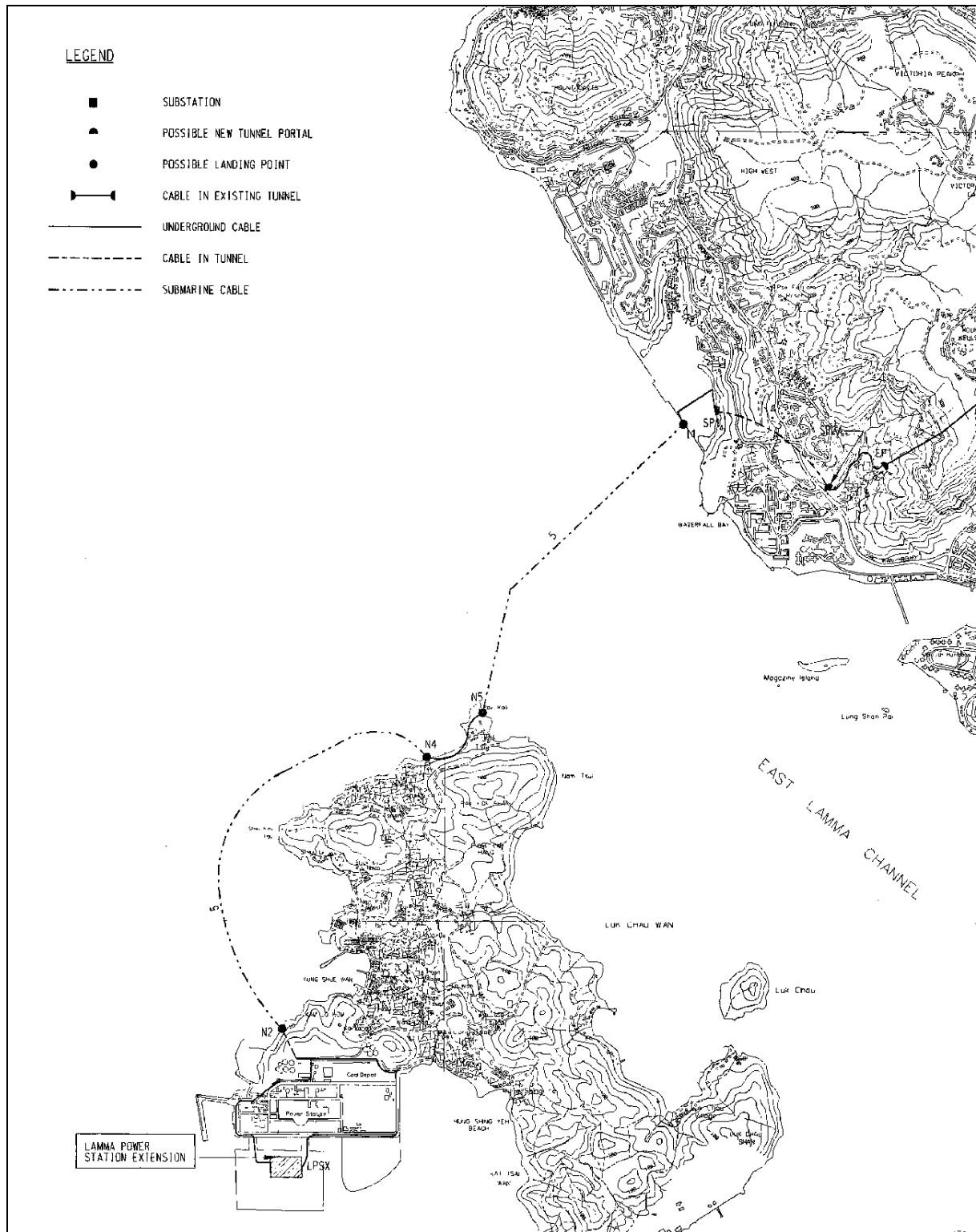


Figure 1.2 Cable Route of Transmission System

2. AIR QUALITY

2.1 Monitoring Requirements

1-hour and 24-hour TSP monitoring at agreed frequencies were conducted to monitor air quality. The impact monitoring data were checked against the Action/Limit Levels as determined in the Baseline Monitoring Report (Construction Phase). Appendix B shows the established Action/Limit Levels for Air Quality.

2.2 Monitoring Locations

Three dust monitoring locations were selected for 1-hour TSP sampling (AM1, AM2 & AM3) while four monitoring locations were selected for 24-hour TSP sampling (AM1, AM2, AM3 and AM4). Table 2.1 tabulates the monitoring stations. The locations of the monitoring stations are shown in Figure 2.1.

Table 2.1 Air Quality Monitoring Locations

Location I.D.	Description
AM1	Reservoir
AM2	East Gate
AM3	Ash Lagoon
AM4	Tai Yuen Village

2.3 Monitoring Equipment

Continuous 24-hour TSP air quality monitoring was performed using the GS2310 High Volume Air Samplers (HVAS), Partisol Model 2000 Sampler and the MINIVOL Portable Sampler at AM1&2, AM3 and AM4 respectively. TEOM Model 1400a continuous dust monitors were used to carry out 1-hour TSP monitoring at AM1, AM2 and AM3. Table 2.2 summarises the equipment used in dust monitoring.

Table 2.2 Air Quality Monitoring Equipment

Equipment	Model and Make
<i>24-hour sampling:</i> HVAS Sampler	Model GS2310 Anderson Instruments Inc.
Partisol Air Sampler	Partisol Model 2000 Rupprecht & Patashnick
MINIVOL Portable Sampler	AIRMETRICS
<i>1-hour sampling:</i> Continuous TSP Dust Meter	TEOM Model 1400a Rupprecht & Patashnick

2.4 Monitoring Parameters, Frequency and Duration

Table 2.3 summarises the monitoring parameters, duration and frequency of air quality monitoring. The monitoring schedule for the reporting month is shown in Appendix C.

Table 2.3 Air Quality Monitoring Parameter, Duration and Frequency

Monitoring Stations	Parameter	Duration	Frequency
AM1	1-hour TSP	1	3 hourly samples every 6 days
	24-hour TSP	24	Once every 6 days
AM2	1-hour TSP	1	3 hourly samples every 6 days
	24-hour TSP	24	Once every 6 days
AM3	1-hour TSP	1	3 hourly samples every 6 days
	24-hour TSP	24	Once every 6 days
AM4	24-hour TSP	24	Once every 6 days

2.5 Monitoring Procedures and Calibration Details

24- hour TSP Monitor:

Preparation of Filter Papers

- Visual inspection of filter papers was carried out to ensure that there were no pinholes, tears and creases;
- The filter papers were then labelled before sampling.

- The filter papers were equilibrated at room temperature and relative humidity < 50% for at least 24 hours before weighing.

Field Monitoring

- During collection of the sampled filter paper, the information on the elapse timer was logged. Site observations around the monitoring stations, which might have affected the monitoring results, were also recorded. Major pollution sources, if any, would be identified and reported. The flow record chart for the previous sampling was checked to see if there was any abnormality.
- The post-sampling filter papers were removed carefully from the filter holder and folded to avoid loss of fibres or dust particles from the filter papers;
- The filter holder and its surrounding were cleaned;
- A pre-weighed blank filter paper for the next sampling was put in place and aligned carefully. The filter holder was then tightened firmly to avoid leakage;
- A new flow record chart was loaded into the flow recorder;
- The programmable timer was set for the next 24 hrs sampling period, $\pm 1/2$ hr;
- The post-sampling filter papers were equilibrated at room temperature and relative humidity < 50% for at least 24 hours before weighing.

1- hour TSP Monitor:

- The following parameters of the TEOM model dust meters are regularly checked to ensure proper functionality:
 - Mass concentration;
 - Total mass;
 - Frequency of the tapered element;
 - Electrical noise;
 - Main flow;
 - Auxiliary flow.

Maintenance & Calibration

- The monitoring equipment and their accessories are maintained in good working conditions.
- Monitoring equipment is calibrated at monthly intervals. Calibration details are shown in Appendix G.

2.6 Results and Observations

Dust monitoring was conducted as scheduled in the reporting month. All monitoring data and graphical presentation of the monitoring results are provided in Appendix D. Key findings and observations are provided below:

1-hour TSP

No exceedance of 1-hour TSP Action/Limit Level was recorded in the month.

24-hour TSP

No exceedance of 24-hour TSP Action/Limit Level was recorded in the month.

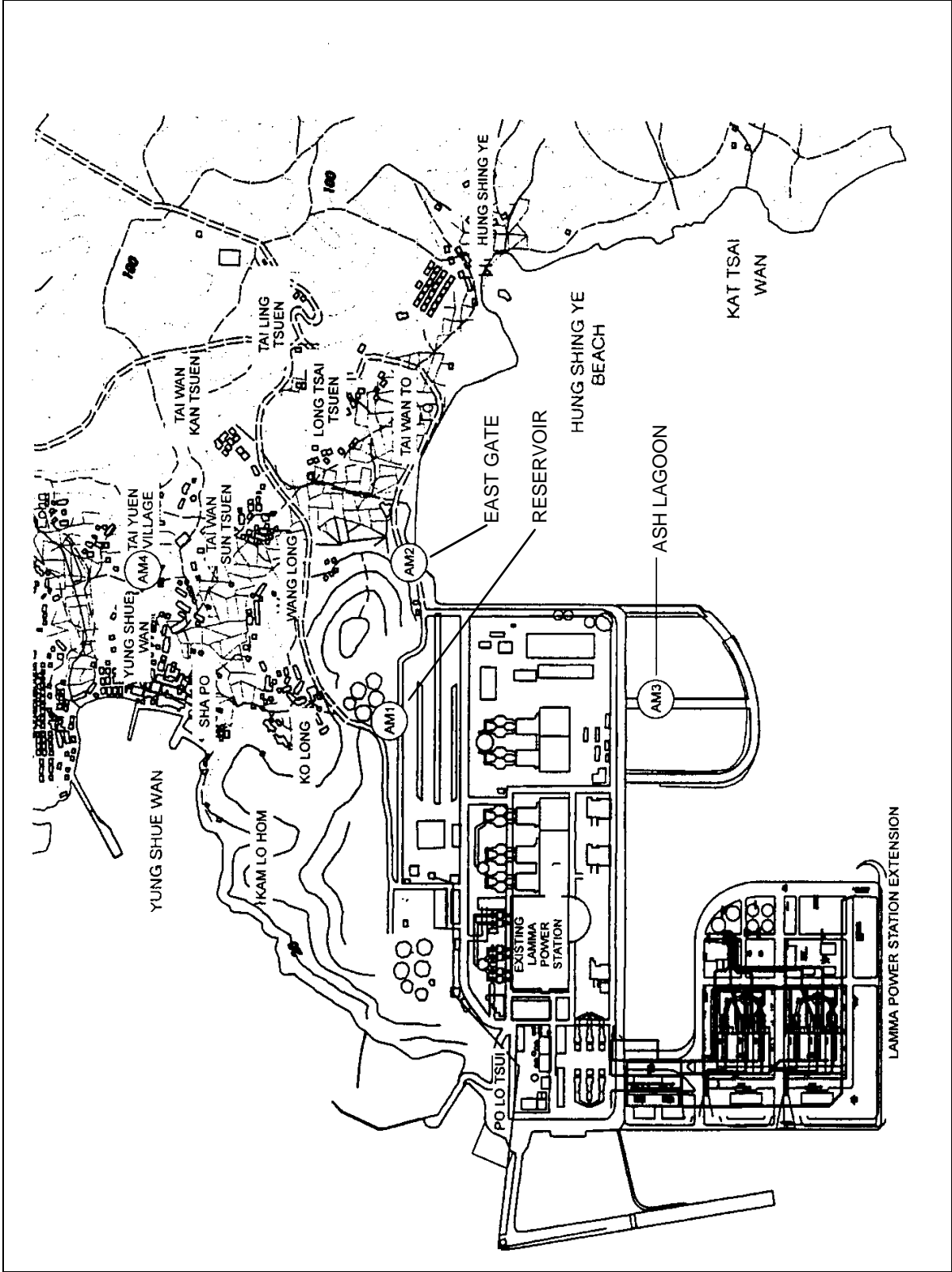


Figure 2.1 Location of Air Quality Monitoring Stations

3. NOISE

3.1 Monitoring Requirements

Continuous noise alarm monitoring at Ash Lagoon/Ching Lam were carried out to calculate the noise contributed by the construction activities at the two critical NSR's, viz. Long Tsai Tsuen/Hung Shing Ye and the school within the village of Tai Wan San Tsuen. The impact monitoring data for construction noise other than percussive piling were checked against the limit levels specified in the EM&A Manual. With the availability of the construction noise permits, impact monitoring for the construction work during the restricted hours was also carried out. Section 5 presents the details of the construction noise permits.

With the commencement of construction work for the transmission system in March 2002, manual noise measurement at the Pak Kok Tsui residences was carried out for the reporting month. The impact noise monitoring data were checked against the limit levels specified in the EM&A Manual. Appendix B shows the established Action/Limit Levels for noise.

3.2 Monitoring Locations

In accordance with the EM&A manual, the identified noise monitoring locations are listed in Table 3.1 and shown in Figure 3.1 and Figure 3.2.

Table 3.1 Noise Monitoring Locations

Purpose of noise monitoring	Monitoring Location
Lamma Extension	Ash Lagoon
Lamma Extension	Ching Lam
Construction of Transmission System	Pak Kok Tsui residences (No.2 and No.8)

3.3 Monitoring Equipment

The sound level meters used for noise monitoring complied with International Electrotechnical Commission Publications 651:1979 (Type 1) and 804:1985 (Type 1). The noise monitoring equipment used is shown in Table 3.2.

Table 3.2 Noise Monitoring Equipment

Equipment	Model	
	Lamma Extension	Construction of Transmission System
Sound level meter	Rion NA-27	Rion NL-14
Sound level calibrator	Rion NC-74	B&K 4231

3.4 Monitoring Parameters, Frequency and Duration

Continuous alarm monitoring of A-weighted Leq levels was carried out at Ash Lagoon and Ching Lam while manual noise monitoring was conducted at Pak Kok Tsui residences. The manual noise monitoring schedule for the reporting month is shown in Appendix C. The measurement duration and parameter of noise monitoring were presented in Table 3.3 as follows:

Table 3.3 Noise Monitoring Duration and Parameter

Location	Time Period	Frequency	Parameter
Ash Lagoon	Daytime: 0700-1900 hrs on normal weekdays	Daytime: 30 minutes	30-min L_{Aeq}
	Evening-time & holidays: 0700-2300 hrs on holidays; and 1900-2300 hrs on all other days	Evening-time & holidays: 5 minutes	5-min L_{Aeq}
Ching Lam	Night-time: 2300-0700 hrs of next day	Night-time: 5 minutes	5-min L_{Aeq}
Pak Kok Tsui residences	0700-1900 hrs on normal weekdays	Twice per week	30-min L_{Aeq}

3.5 Monitoring Procedures and Calibration Details

Monitoring Procedures

Continuous Noise Monitoring for Lamma Extension Construction

The measured noise levels (MNL's) were collected at the noise alarm monitoring stations at Ash Lagoon and Ching Lam. The notional background noise levels (viz. baseline noise data at Ash Lagoon and Ching Lam) were applied to correct the corresponding MNL's in 30-min/5-min L_{Aeq} .

A wind speed sensor was installed at Station Building Rooftop. The wind speed signal was used to determine whether the data from Ash Lagoon and Ching Lam noise alarm monitoring stations were affected. The instantaneous data was discarded in case the instantaneous wind speed exceeded 10 m/s. The 30-min/5-min L_{Aeq} was considered valid only if the amount of valid data was equal to or above 70%.

When calibrating the noise measuring equipment, all observations around the monitoring stations, which might have affected the monitoring results, were recorded.

Manual Noise Monitoring for Transmission System Construction

Manual noise monitoring was carried out at the Pak Kok Tsui residences in accordance with standard acoustical principles and practices for checking the impact of noise related to construction of the Transmission System.

Hand-held anemometer was used to measure the wind speed while taking noise measurements. If the wind speed is excessive, noise data will be discarded and re-measured.

Equipment Calibration

The sound level meters and calibrators have been verified by the manufacturer or accredited laboratory. Equipment for continuous noise monitoring was calibrated at site on a monthly basis.

The sound level meters used for manual noise measurement were calibrated with a sound level calibrator immediately before and after noise measurement in accordance with the relevant Technical Memoranda under the Noise Control Ordinance. Calibration details are shown in Appendix G.

3.6 Results and Observations

Continuous noise monitoring was conducted at the two monitoring stations at Ash Lagoon and Ching Lam while manual noise monitoring was carried out at the Pak Kok Tsui residences. All monitoring results and their graphical presentations are provided in Appendix E.

No exceedance of noise Action/Limit Level was recorded in the month.

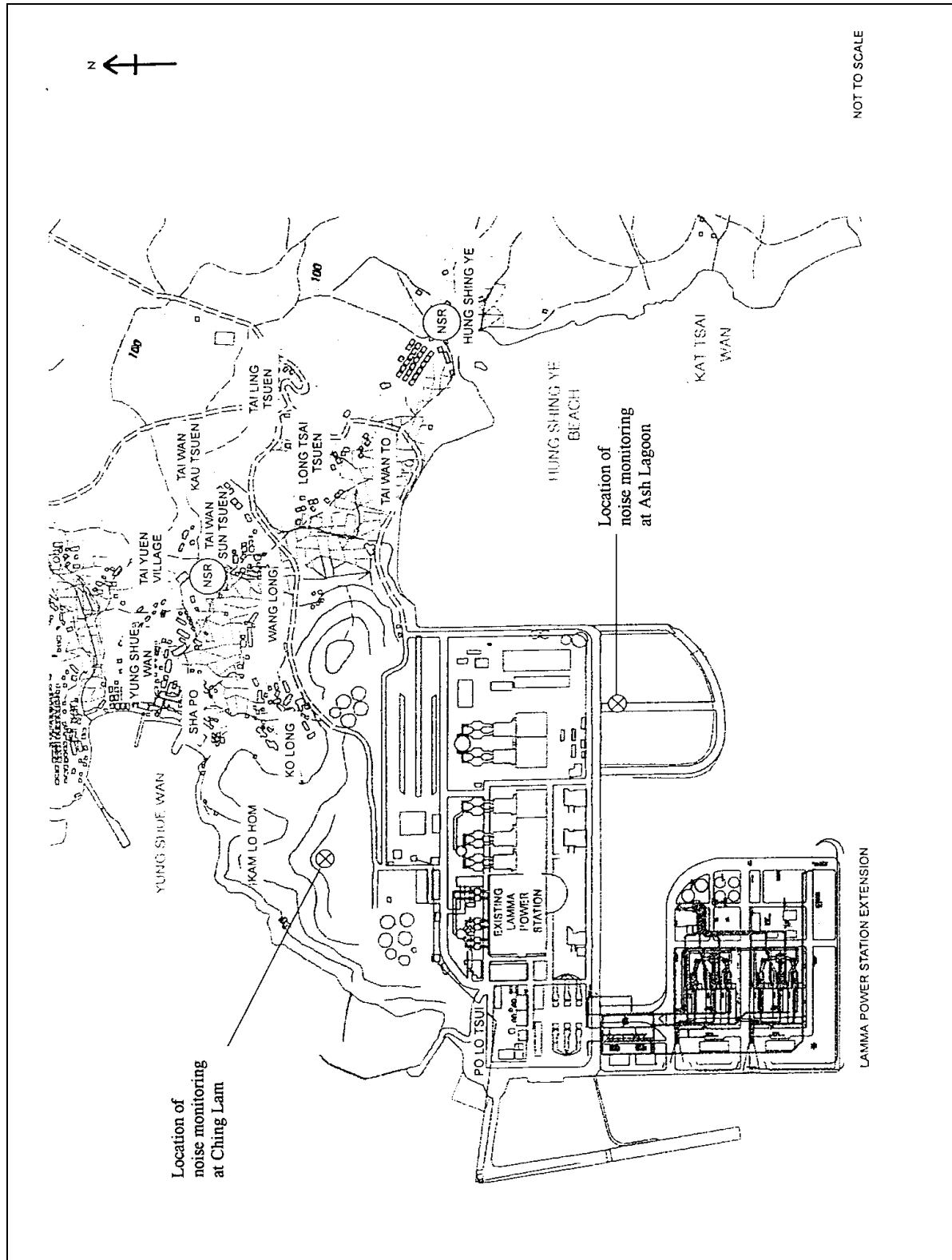


Figure 3.1 Location of Noise Monitoring Stations

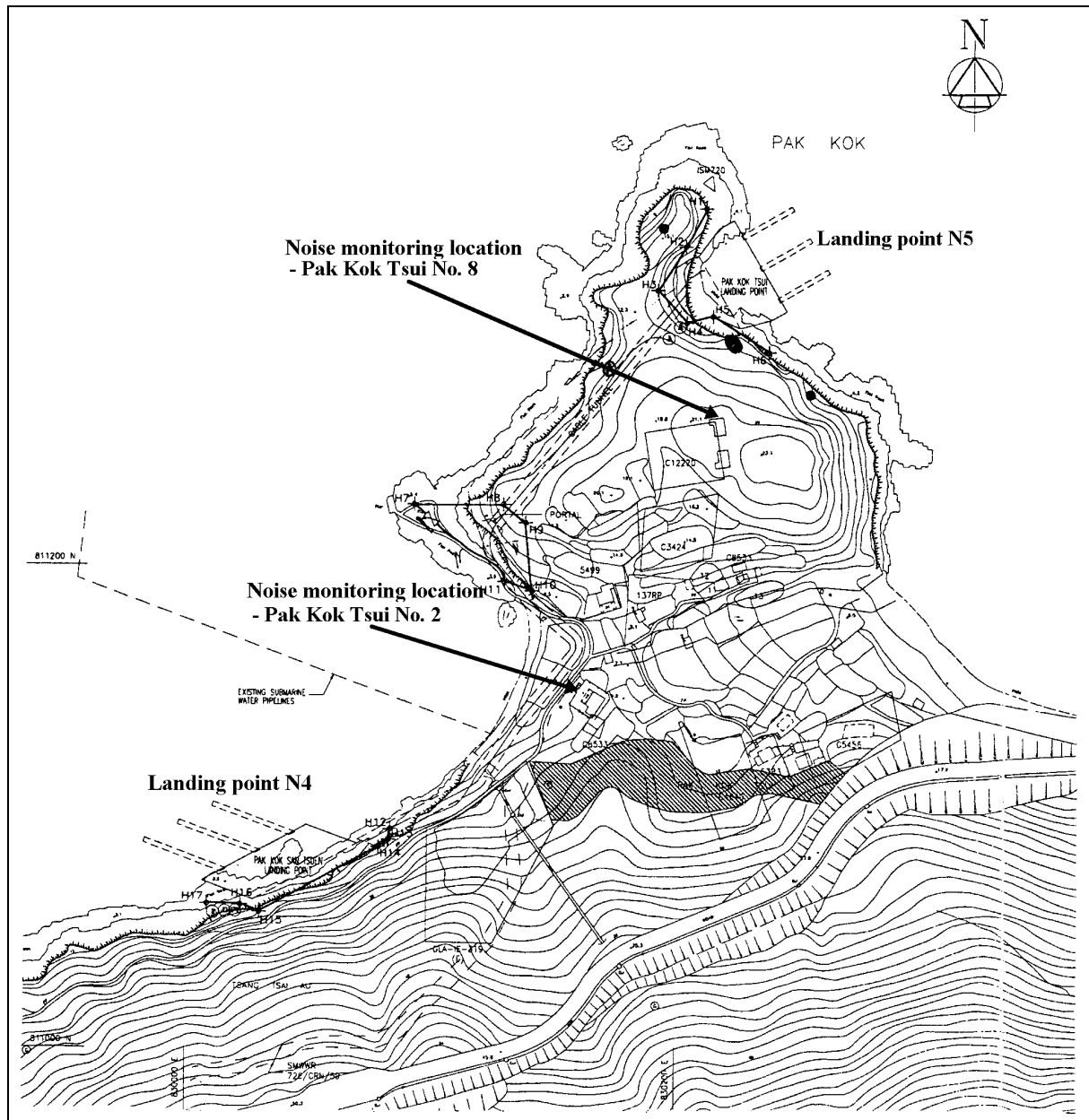


Figure 3.2 Locations of Manual Noise Monitoring

4. WATER QUALITY MONITORING

4.1 Monitoring Requirements

Marine water quality monitoring at the monitoring locations adjacent to the construction site was carried out by a monitoring consultant, HKPC. The purpose was to ensure that deterioration of water quality, if any, would be detected and that timely action could be taken to rectify the situation. The impact monitoring data were checked against the AL levels set out in the Baseline Monitoring Report (Construction Phase). As there were no activities for the laying of the gas pipeline in the reporting month, no water quality impact monitoring at the relevant stations was carried out.

4.2 Monitoring Locations

A total of 12 water quality monitoring locations were selected. 7 Sensitive Receiver (SR) stations were chosen on the basis of their proximity to the construction site, 5 Marine Control stations (C) as recommended in the EIA were selected to facilitate comparison of the water quality of the SR stations with ambient water quality conditions. Table 4.1 describes the locations of these monitoring stations. Their locations are shown in Figure 4.1.

Table 4.1 Water Quality Monitoring Locations

Type	Monitoring Location	HK Metric Grid E	HK Metric Grid N
Sensitive Receiver Stations	SR1	830 224	811 528
	SR2	829 004	810 903
	SR3	829 194 (829 166) ¹	808 600 (808 592) ¹
	SR4	830 119	808 650
	SR5	830 386	807 189
	SR6	829 977	805 758
	SR7	829 566	804 545
Marine Control Stations	C1	830 542	813 492
	C2	828 608	813 492
	C3	826 776	809 978
	C4	826 776	806 464
	C5	830 440	802 186

1. Due to the construction programme, the monitoring location SR3 was slightly shifted since the monitoring on 16th April 2001. EPD has verbally been informed of the shift of the monitoring location.

4.3 Monitoring Equipment

Table 4.2 summarizes the equipment used in the water-quality monitoring programme.

Table 4.2 Water Quality Monitoring Equipment

Equipment	Detection Limit
YSI 6820 Water Quality Monitor	Temperature: -5 to 50 °C; +/- 0.15 °C Salinity: 0 to 70 ppt; +/- 0.2 ppt Dissolved Oxygen: 0 to 200%; +/- 0.5% 0 to 20 mg/L; +/- 0.2 mg/L Turbidity: 0 to 100 and 100 to 1000 NTU; +/- 5% of the range pH: 0 to 14 units; +/- 0.2 units
Trimble NT200 GPS	Accuracy better than 3m
Leica GS5	Accuracy better than 3m

4.4 Monitoring Parameters, Frequency and Duration

Table 4.3 summarizes the monitoring parameters, frequencies and total duration of water quality monitoring. The monitoring schedule for reporting month is shown in Appendix C.

Table 4.3 Water Quality Monitoring Parameters and Frequency

Monitoring Stations	Parameters	Frequency	No. of Depths	No. of Samples
Sensitive Receiver Stations SR1, SR2, SR4, SR5, SR6 & SR7 Marine Control Stations C1, C2, C3, C4 & C5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Depth, m • Temperature, °C • Salinity, ppt • DO, mg/L • DO Saturation, % • Turbidity, NTU • SS, mg/L • pH 	Three times per week	3 Surface, Mid-Depth and Bottom	2 Mid-ebb and Mid-flood

For laboratory analysis of marine water samples collected at SR3, only SS parameter was measured.

4.5 Monitoring Procedures and Calibration Details

Monitoring Procedures

- The monitoring stations were accessed using survey boat to within 3m, guided by Differential Global Positioning System (DGPS).
- The depth of the monitoring location was measured using depth meter in order to determine the sampling depths. Afterwards, the water sampler was lowered into the water to the required depths of sampling. Upon reaching the pre-determined depth, a messenger to activate the sampler was then released to travel down the wire. The water sample was sealed within the sampler before retrieving.
- All in-situ measurements at each monitoring stations were taken at 3 water depths, where appropriate, namely 1m below water surface, mid-depth, and 1 meter from seabed, except where the water depth was less than 6m, the mid-depth measurement was omitted. If the water depth was less than 3m, only the mid-depth position was monitored.
- At each measurement/sampling depth, two consecutive measurements were taken. The probes were retrieved out of the water after the first measurement and then redeployed for the second measurement. Where the difference in the value between the first and the second readings of each set was more than 25% of the value of the first reading, the reading was discarded and further samplings were taken.
- The duplicate water samples for physical and chemical analysis were stored into a pre-labelled high-density polyethylene (HDPE) bottle pre-rinsed with the same water samples. The sample bottles were then packed in a cool-box (cooled to 4°C without being frozen) and delivered to a HOKLAS Laboratory for analysis upon the completion of each round of sampling.
- In addition, field information such as the general meteorological conditions and any observations regarding any significant activities in the vicinity of each monitoring location were also recorded. Major water pollution sources, if any, were identified and recorded.

Equipment Calibration

The equipment deployed for in-situ measurement of marine water quality was calibrated before use. The methodologies for the calibration follow the instruction manuals provided by the corresponding manufacturers. The calibration records are shown in Appendix G.

Laboratory Analysis & QA/QC

The collected marine water samples were analyzed for Suspended Solids with methodologies summarized in Table 4.4.

Table 4.4 Laboratory Analysis Methodologies of Marine Water Samples

Parameter	Method	Limit of Reporting (mg/L)
Suspended Solids	APHA 17 ed 2540 D	1.0

In order to ensure that the laboratory analysis works were carried out properly, stringent QA/QC procedures (which includes the sample preparation as well as the subsequent instrumentation analysis) were followed. According to the requirements stipulated in the EM&A Manual, QA/QC requirements for laboratory testing include:

- 1) "Blind" duplicate samples analysis of 10% collected marine water samples; and
- 2) in-house QA/QC procedures of the testing laboratory (this includes the use of blank, batch duplicates and quality control samples).

Blind Duplicate:

In order to cross check the precision of the measurement results obtained from the laboratory analysis, "blind" duplicate samples of 10% of the collected marine water samples were analysed alongside the normal samples. The sample codes for the "blind" duplicates were determined by the sampling team and are not identifiable by the laboratory. The results of the "blind" duplicate samples are summarized in Appendix G.

In accordance with the QA/QC procedures of Environmental Management Laboratory of HKPC, QA/QC procedures were conducted for at least 5% of samples. A total of 936 sets of samples (for Suspended Solids analysis) were received during the marine monitoring period including both ebb and flood tides. Therefore at least 5% laboratory blanks, batch duplicates, quality control samples and recovery tests for each parameter were conducted. The acceptance criteria are outlined in each type of Quality Control data.

Blank:

A laboratory blank is an analyte free matrix to which all reagents are added in the same volumes or proportions as used in the standard sample preparation to monitor contamination introduced in laboratory. The acceptance criterion for laboratory blank in Environmental Management Division (EMD) Laboratory of HKPC stipulated in EMD Quality Manual is less than the detection limit. All the laboratory blank values and acceptance criterion of suspended solids are summarized in Appendix G.

Batch Duplicate:

Batch duplicate is an intra-laboratory split sample randomly selected from the sample batch to monitor the method precision in a given matrix. The acceptance limit of duplicate values of suspended solids and their duplicate results are summarized in Appendix G.

Quality Control Sample:

The quality control sample is the analysis of a material with a known concentration of contaminants to determine the accuracy of results in a given matrix. The quality control samples results for suspended solids are shown in Appendix G.

The QA/QC results in Appendix G indicated that the laboratory analysis works of the collected marine water samples were properly carried out and the measurement results obtained were valid in accordance with the Hong Kong Laboratory Accreditation Scheme (HOKLAS) requirements. On the other hand, the “blind” duplicate measurement results indicated that the precision of the measurements for Suspended Solids are in compliance with the HOKLAS requirements.

4.6 Results and Observations

Marine water monitoring was conducted as scheduled in the reporting month. All monitoring data and graphical presentation of the monitoring results are provided in Appendix F. Key findings and observations are provided in the following table:

Summary of Exceedances in Suspended Solids (Depth Average) in March 2002

Monitoring Dates	Number of Exceedances		Investigation Findings (if any)
	Action Level	Limit Level	
1 st March	0	0	N. A.
4 th March	0	1 SR2 during flood tide	Not related to site activities. Based on the observation made by the sampling team, there was no noticeable sediment plume migrating from the direction of the site to the sampling location. Besides, the measurement results at SR2 during the PM session of the same sampling day were below the action level. Therefore, the said exceedance might be due to background fluctuation
6 th March	0	0	N. A.
8 th March	0	0	N. A.
11 th March	0	0	N. A.
13 th March	0	0	N. A.
15 th March	0	0	N. A.
18 th March	0	0	N. A.
20 th March	0	0	N. A.
22 nd March	1 SR6 during ebb tide	0	Not related to site activities. Based on the observation made by the sampling team, there was no noticeable sediment plume migrating from the direction of the site to the sampling location. Besides, the measurement result at SR3 (which is much closer to the site as compared with SR6) was much below the corresponding Action Level of SR6. Therefore, the said exceedance might be due to background fluctuation.

Monitoring Dates	Number of Exceedances		Investigation Findings (if any)
	Action Level	Limit Level	
25 th March	0	0	N. A.
27 th March	0	0	N. A.
29 th March	0	0	N. A.

There was one (1) case of Action Level exceedance and one (1) case of Limit Level exceedance for water quality in the reporting month. Both cases of action/limit level exceedance were contributed by SS. For these exceedances, comprehensive investigations have been carried out. It was found that no noticeable sediment plume migration from the direction of the site to the sampling location was observed. Hence, the exceedances were considered not related to site activities and have been explained to the satisfaction of EPD. No further action was required. Nevertheless, EPD, IEC and the construction contractor have been informed of the exceedances accordingly as per the requirements of the EM&A Manual.

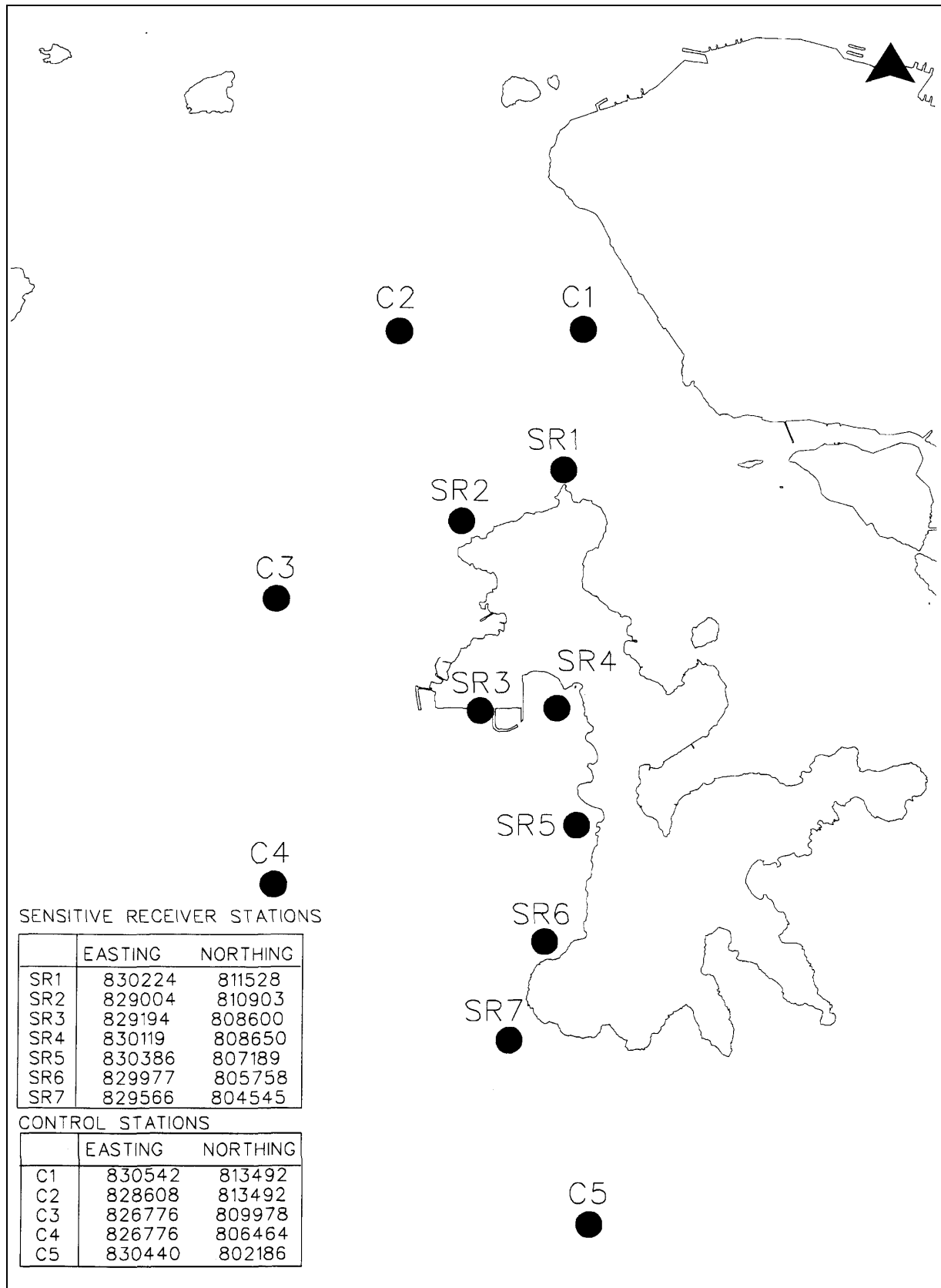


Figure 4.1 Location of Water Quality Monitoring Stations

5. ENVIRONMENTAL AUDIT

5.1 Review of Environmental Monitoring Procedures

The environmental monitoring procedures were regularly reviewed by the Environmental Team. No modification to the existing monitoring procedures was recommended.

5.2 Assessment of Environmental Monitoring Results

Monitoring results for Air Quality, Noise and Water Quality

The environmental monitoring results for Air Quality, Noise and Water Quality in the reporting month presented in sections 2,3 and 4 respectively are summarized in Table 5.1.

Table 5.1 Summary of AL Level Exceedances on Monitoring Parameters

Item	Parameter Monitored	Monitoring Period	No. of Exceedances In		Event/Action Plan Implementation Status and Results
			Action Level	Limit Level	
Air					
1	Ambient TSP (24-hour)	01/03/02-31/03/02	0	0	
2	Ambient TSP (1-hour)	01/03/02-31/03/02	0	0	
Noise					
1	Noise level at the critical NSR's predicted by the noise alarm monitoring system	01/03/02-31/03/02	0	0	
2	Manual noise monitoring at the Pak Kok Tsui residences	01/03/02-31/03/02	0	0	Construction of transmission system commenced in March 2002.
Water					
1	DO (Surface & Middle)	01/03/02-31/03/02	0	0	
2	DO (Bottom)	01/03/02-31/03/02	0	0	

Item	Parameter Monitored	Monitoring Period	No. of Exceedances In		Event/Action Plan Implementation Status and Results
			Action Level	Limit Level	
3	SS	01/03/02-31/03/02	1	1	The exceedances were considered not related to the construction activities. Please refer to section 4 of the report for details.
4	Turbidity	01/03/02-31/03/02	0	0	

Waste Management Records

The estimated amounts of different types of waste generated in March 2002 are shown in Table 5.2.

Table 5.2 Estimated Amounts of Waste Generated in March 2002

Waste Type	Examples	Estimated Amount (m ³)
Dredged Materials	Marine Mud	0
Construction Waste	Concrete Waste, Used formwork	0
Excavated Materials	Rock and soil	0
General Refuse	Domestic wastes collected on site	2

5.3 Site Environmental Audit

Site audits were carried out by ET on a weekly basis to monitor environmental issues at the construction sites to ensure that all mitigation measures were implemented timely and properly. The site conditions were generally satisfactory. All required mitigation measures were implemented. The weekly site inspection results are attached in Appendix I.

5.4 Status of Environmental Licensing and Permitting

All permits/licenses obtained for the project are summarised in Table 5.3.

Table 5.3 Summary of Environmental Licensing and Permit Status

Description	Permit No.	Valid Period		highlights	Status
		From	To		
Varied Environmental Permit	EP-071/2000/B	13/07/01	-	The whole construction work site.	Valid
Construction Noise Permit	GW-UW0522-01	16/01/02	11/07/02	11 groups (A-K) of PME's are assigned. Only one group can be used. Group J and K shall not be operated between 23:00 and 07:00 on next day.	Valid.
Construction Noise Permit	GW-UW0036-02	06/03/02	31/08/02	Operation of specified PME's allowed during the restricted hours (07:00-23:00 on holidays and 19:00-23:00 on all other days)	Valid.
Dumping Permit	EP/MD/02-073	07/10/01	06/04/02	Dumping at South Cheung Chau Disposal Area (Relocation of the Spoil Disposal Areas with effective 29 th October 2001)	Valid

5.5 Implementation Status of Environmental Mitigation Measures

Mitigation measures detailed in the permits and the EM&A Manual (Construction Phase) are required to be implemented. An updated summary of the Environmental Mitigation Implementation Schedule (EMIS) is presented in Appendix J.

5.6 Implementation Status of Action/Limit Plans

The Action/Event Plans for air quality, noise and water quality extracted from the EM&A Manual (Construction Phase) and the review report on marine water quality monitoring are presented in Appendix H.

As all the action/limit level exceedances were not related to the construction work, no further action can be devised. Nevertheless, EPD, IEC and the construction contractor have been informed of the exceedances accordingly as per the requirements in the EM&A Manual.

5.7 Implementation Status of Environmental Complaint Handling Procedures

In March 2002, one complaint against the construction activities was received via EPD, which was summarized in the Table 5.4 below.

Table 5.4 Environmental Complaints / Enquiries Received in March 2002

Case Reference / Date, Time Received / Date, Time Concerned	Descriptions /Actions Taken	Conclusion / Status
Case no: 20020301 Received: Verbally via EPD on 25-Mar-02 (p.m.) Concerned: "At mid-night" (exact date not specified)	EPD informed HEC (during their site visit to the Lamma Power Station on 25-Mar-02) that they had received a complaint against excessive noise emission from the area around Lamma Extension at mid-night. EPD stated that they had already carried out investigation and found no violation of the relevant legislations and had closed the case. EPD reminded HEC to pay attention to the construction work to avoid complaints. HEC had followed up with the contractors accordingly.	The case could not be justified and was closed on the same day (25-Mar-02).

Table 5.5 Outstanding Environmental Complaints / Enquiries Received Before

Case Reference / Date, Time Received / Date, Time Concerned	Descriptions /Actions Taken	Conclusion / Status
Nil	N/A	N/A

6. FUTURE KEY ISSUES

6.1 Status of Natural Gas supply

Based on current project schedule, HEC anticipates there is no delay in the supply of natural gas.

6.2 Key Issues for the Coming Month

Key issues to be considered in the coming month include:

Site Formation

Noise Impact

- To continue monitoring the noise level during construction and to ensure compliance with the CNP's already obtained.
- To continue the preventive measures for noise exceedance and keep monitoring/reviewing the performance.

Water Impact

- To keep reviewing the monitoring results in order to take corresponding action to ensure the sea water quality.
- To provide routine inspection and necessary maintenance for the silt curtain.
- To install silt curtain at the temporary opening between the constructed seawalls, which protrude above the seawater surface, when the sand filling for the platform shall take place behind it.
- To provide de-silting utilities for wastewater before being discharged from the bored piling works.

Transmission System

Air Impact

- To ensure that all excavated materials and debris are covered by debris shelter or sprayed with water.

Noise Impact

- To continue monitoring the noise level during construction;
- To continue the preventive measures for noise exceedance and keep monitoring/reviewing the performance.

Terrestrial Ecology Impact

- To erect hoarding along the boundary of construction sites before the commencement of civil work.
- To closely monitor the construction activities in order to avoid disturbance to the rare plants;
- To provide temporary fire fighting equipment for prevention of fire within the work sites.

6.3 Monitoring Schedules for the Next 3 Months

The tentative environmental monitoring schedules for the next 3 months are shown in Appendix C.

6.4 Construction Program for the Next 3 Months

The tentative construction program for the next 3 months is shown in Appendix K.

7. CONCLUSION

Environmental monitoring and site inspection were performed as scheduled in the reporting month. All monitoring results were checked and reviewed.

No Action/Limit level exceedance on 1-hour and 24-hour TSP level was recorded in the reporting month.

No Action/Limit level exceedance on noise was recorded in the reporting month.

Two (2) cases of action/limit level exceedance on water quality parameters were recorded in the reporting month. As the action/limit level exceedances were not related to construction activities, no further action is required.

Environmental mitigation measures recommended in the EM&A manual for the construction activities were implemented in the reporting month. One complaint against excessive noise emission from the construction activities was received via EPD in the reporting month. The complaint, however, could not be justified. No prosecution was received for this Project in the reporting period.

The environmental performance of the Project was generally satisfactory.