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All contractors on the
List of Approved Suppliers of Materials and
Specialist Contractors for Public Works

Dear Sirs,

Awareness and Preparedness for Novel Infectious Disease of Public Health Significance

In light of the cluster of pneumonia cases reported in Wuhan, we would appeal to you to arouse the awareness of your staff members, including site personnel, in maintaining good personal and environmental hygiene at your premises, offices and construction sites, and stepping up cleanliness measures where necessary.

To prevent pneumonia and respiratory tract infection, the following measures, though not exhaustive, are suggested for your reference:

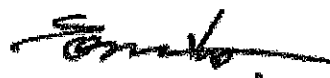
- Perform hand hygiene frequently, especially before touching the mouth, nose or eyes; after touching public installations such as handrails or door knobs; or when hands are contaminated by respiratory secretion after coughing or sneezing;
- Wash hands with liquid soap and water, and rub for at least 20 seconds. Then rinse with water and dry with a disposable paper towel or hand dryer. If hand washing facilities are not available, or when hands are not visibly soiled, hand hygiene with 70 to 80% alcohol-based handrub is an effective alternative;
- Cover your mouth and nose with tissue paper when sneezing or coughing. Dispose of soiled tissues into a lidded rubbish bin, then wash hands thoroughly; and
- When having respiratory symptoms, wear a surgical mask, refrain from work or attending class at school, avoid going to crowded places and seek medical advice promptly.

You may access the links below for the details of the health advice and latest situation of the cluster of pneumonia cases in Wuhan published by the Centre for Health Protection:

- English version: <https://www.chp.gov.hk/en/features/102465.html>
- Chinese version: <https://www.chp.gov.hk/tc/features/102465.html>

Thank you very much for your assistance on this matter.

Yours faithfully,



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for Secretary for Development

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