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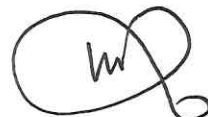
To All Authorized Persons
Registered Structural Engineers
Registered Geotechnical Engineers
Registered Inspectors
Registered General Building Contractors
Registered Specialist Contractors
Registered Minor Works Contractors

Dear Sir/Madam,

**Code of Practice on Wind Effects in Hong Kong 2019
Extension of Grace Period**

The circular letter issued on 30 September 2019 regarding the Code of Practice on Wind Effects in Hong Kong 2019 (2019 Code) has specified a 12-month grace period, within which submission of plans for foundation and superstructure works designed according to the Code of Practice on Wind Effects in Hong Kong 2004 (2004 Code) would still be accepted. In light of our postponement of technical seminars on the 2019 Code for the building industry due to the epidemic and the feedback from the industry stakeholders, the above-mentioned grace period will be extended to expire on **31 March 2021** in order to allow ample preparation time for the building industry on the smooth transition from the 2004 Code to 2019 Code.

Yours faithfully,



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