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<u>Construction Industry Council Took Regulatory Action Against</u> <u>Two Contractors under the Registered Specialist Trade Contractors Scheme</u> <u>in Relation to the Fatal Accident at Tsim Sha Tsui Austin Road West</u>

Hong Kong • 10 November 2023 – The Construction Industry Council (CIC) has always valued "construction safety" as a cornerstone of the industry's development. In response to a fatal incident that occurred in a construction site at Tsim Sha Tsui Austin Road West on 24 September 2023, the Committee on Registered Specialist Trade Contractors Scheme (Com-RSTCS) of the CIC convened a regulatory hearing on the incident in accordance with the regulatory regime under the "Registered Specialist Trade Contractors Scheme" (RSTCS). Following the decision laid down by the Com-RSTCS on 24 October 2023, the registration for all trades and designated trades of one company is suspended for 15 months, while the registration for another company is revoked.

The CIC will continue to stringently follow up on the registered companies involving in serious incidents in accordance with the regulatory mechanism under the scheme.

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About the Construction Industry Council

The Construction Industry Council (CIC) was formed in 2007 under the Construction Industry Council Ordinance (Cap. 587). The CIC consists of a chairman and 24 members representing various sectors of the industry including employers, professionals, academics, contractors, workers, independent persons and Government officials.

The main functions of the CIC are to forge consensus on long-term strategic issues, convey the industry's needs and aspirations to the Government, provide professional training and registration services, and serve as a communication channel between the Government and the construction industry.

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