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Hong Kong's Franchised Bus Service
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[Attn: Mr Justice Michael LUNN, Chairman of the Independent Review Committee
on Hong Kong's Franchised Bus Service]

Dear Mr LUNN

**Independent Review Committee on Hong Kong's Franchised Bus Service -
Submissions for Consideration on Hong Kong's Franchised Bus Service**

Thank you for inviting the Institution to provide views on the captioned subject.

The Institution supports the setup of Independent Review Committee on Hong Kong's Franchised Bus Service to examine the operation and management of bus franchises as well as the present regulatory and monitoring system for franchised buses.

The fatal accident in Tai Po in February 2018 reflected that there is room for improving the design for road safety and reviewing the choice of bus types for different road conditions. There are a large number of roads with similar risk in Hong Kong (such as Tai Tam Road and Peak Road). Hence, the Committee is suggested to also review the aforementioned areas and put forward a recommendation for follow-up as appropriate, even there may be out of the scope of examination of the Committee.

Meanwhile, the Institution would like to suggest the Committee to consider the following guidelines and practices for minimising similar incidents from the safety perspectives:

1. Setup of indicators (both proactive and reactive indicators) and targets
2. Introduction of safety incentives programmes to encourage safe driving performance
3. Launch of programmes to engage management as safety leaders
4. Supplement of current trainings with human error reduction programmes and behavioural-based trainings
5. Engagement of drivers and employees on safety improvements
6. Conduct of regular surveys to gauge the safety culture and performance

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Thank you for your attention.

Yours sincerely



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