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Dear Ms Chan,

Request for the Shapefiles of the District Council Constituency Boundaries for the 2019 District Council Ordinary Election

Your email of 10 January 2019 to the Registration and Electoral Office ("REO") concerning the request for the shapefile format for the District Council Constituency Area ("DCCA") boundaries for the 2019 District Council ("DC") Ordinary Election has been referred to the Electoral Affairs Commission ("EAC") for consideration. We would like to set out our reply in the ensuing paragraphs.

As mentioned in my letter dated 12 December 2018, the shapefiles for the DCCA boundaries in respect of the 2019 DC Ordinary Election will be made available upon completion of the established legislative proceedings. You may wish to note that the Declaration of Constituencies (District Councils) Order 2018 in relation to the 2019 DCCA boundaries ("the Order") was published in the Gazette on 14 December 2018 and tabled at the Legislative Council ("LegCo") on 9 January 2019 for negative vetting. The negative vetting procedure is still in progress so the shapefiles for the DCCA boundaries in respect of the 2019 DC Ordinary Election are not available yet.

For your information, in accordance with the negative vetting procedure, the LegCo may amend the Order by a resolution passed at a Council meeting held not later than 28 days after the meeting at which the Order was tabled (i.e. 6 February 2019) and the vetting period may be extended to the first Council meeting held after the 21st day from the original expiry day (i.e. 27 February 2019).

Thank you for your interest in the electoral matters.

Yours sincerely,

(Miss Bonnie Ng) for Secretary

Electoral Affairs Commission