| Number of engineering consultants with overall performance rated as |
|---|
| "Unacceptable" in quarterly performance reports from 2020 to 2024   |

| Year | Number of engineering<br>consultants with overall<br>performance (Note 1) rated<br>as "Unacceptable" in<br>certain quarter | Number of engineering consultants<br>suspended from tendering due to<br>"Unacceptable" overall performance<br>(Note 2) |
|------|--|--|
| 2020 | 6  | 0  |
| 2021 | 13   | 2  |
| 2022 | 8  | 0  |
| 2023 | 5  | 2  |
| 2024 | 6  | 0  |

Note 1: Under the performance evaluation system for public works engineering consultants, the overall performance of engineering consultants can be rated as "Good", "Acceptable" or "Unacceptable".

Note 2: If an engineering consultant's overall performance is rated as "Unacceptable" in two consecutive quarters, the engineering consultant will be suspended from tendering pursuant to the regulating mechanism. The main reasons for "Unacceptable" rating in overall performance of the above four engineering consultants who were suspended from tendering include failure to meet design requirements, insufficient human resources or failure to complete design or consultation work on time.

## Supplementary information:

During construction stage, engineering consultants are responsible for supervising contractors' work, including site safety. The performance of engineering consultants in supervising contractors will be reflected in the "Supervision of Contractors" attribute in their quarterly performance reports. If a consultant is rated as "Very Poor" under this attribute, its overall performance will be rated as "Unacceptable". In the past five years, no engineering consultant was suspended from tendering due to site safety reason.

In the past five years, no engineering consultant was removed from the List of Consultants of the Architectural and Associated Consultants Selection Board or the List of Consultants of Engineering and Associated Consultants Selection Board due to site safety reason or "Unacceptable" overall performance.