It is hereby notified that sealed tenders in duplicate are invited for **Contract No. NL/2016/01**— **Tung Chung New Town Extension**—**Site Investigation Works Stage 1**. The works mainly comprise ground investigation works in Tung Chung and Siu Ho Wan, including trial pits, land drillholes, marine drillholes, marine based cone penetration tests, in-situ tests, laboratory testing of soil and rock samples, and groundwater monitoring. The works are scheduled to commence in December 2016 and will take about 13 months to complete.

Tenders must be clearly marked with the tender reference and the subject of the tender on the outside of the envelope (but should not bear any indication which may relate the tender to the tenderer) addressed to the Chairman, Public Works Tender Board, and placed in the Public Works Tender Box situated in Room 4128f, 41st Floor, Queensway Government Offices, 66 Queensway, Hong Kong, before 12.00 noon on Friday, 4 November 2016. Late tenders will not be accepted. If a black rainstorm warning signal or tropical cyclone warning signal No. 8 or above is in effect at any time between 9.00 a.m. and 12.00 noon on Friday, 4 November 2016, the tender closing time will be postponed to 12.00 noon on the first working day after the black rainstorm warning signal has ceased to be in effect or the tropical cyclone warning signal No. 8 is lowered. An announcement of change will be made through the radio.

Forms of tender and further particulars are obtainable from AECOM Asia Co Ltd at 8th Floor, Grand Central Plaza, Tower 2, 138 Shatin Rural Committee Road, Sha Tin, Hong Kong (Contact Person: Mr. Francis LEONG, Telephone No.: (852) 3922 9000, Fax No.: (852) 3922 9797).

Selective tendering is adopted. Contractors on the List of Approved Suppliers of Materials and Specialist Contractors for Public Works—Ground Investigation Field Work Group II or joint ventures with participation of local and/or overseas contractors with the lead participant or the major shareholder being on the List of Approved Suppliers of Materials and Specialist Contractors for Public Works—Ground Investigation Field Work Group II who also meet the qualifications and conditions for participation stipulated in the tender documents are invited to tender.

Contractors not yet on the List of Approved Contractors of Materials and Specialist Contractors for Public Works—Ground Investigation Field Work Group II may also submit a tender if they submit a request for participation together with a duly completed application for inclusion in the above-mentioned approved list/category by 21 October 2016 to Chief Engineer/ Islands, Hong Kong Island and Islands Development Office on 13th Floor, North Point Government Offices, 333 Java Road, North Point, Hong Kong, meet the qualifications and conditions for participation, and the application for inclusion is duly approved on or before the tender closing date. Details for making the application are available at:—

http://www.devb.gov.hk/en/construction_sector_matters/contractors/index.html

Contractors will be liable to have their names removed from the approved list if they fail or refuse to implement an accepted tender.

This tender is covered by the Agreement on Government Procurement of the World Trade Organization and will not involve electronic auction. This notice also serves as a summary notice required under the Agreement on Government Procurement of the World Trade Organization.

A charge will be levied for the delivery of tender documents where the delivery of tender documents is requested by a tenderer. A written request must be made.

The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region does not bind itself to accept any tender irrespective of whether the tender is the lowest bid or, where the assessment of the tenders is based on a marking scheme or formula approach, the tender has the highest overall score.

The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region reserves the right to negotiate with any tenderer about the terms of the offer.

Details of the award of this contract will be published in the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Gazette and made available on the Internet at (http://www.gld.gov. hk/eng/services_2_c.htm).