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Question:

Will the Electrical and Mechanical Services Department (EMSD) allocate additional resources to strengthen the inspections of the operation and maintenance of Ngong Ping 360?

Asked by: Hon. LI Wah-ming, Fred

Reply:

Since the re-opening of the aerial ropeway of Ngong Ping 360 on 31 December 2007, it has been operating in a reliable condition. EMSD will continue to monitor the operation of Ngong Ping 360. The current establishment of the enforcement team for aerial ropeway safety in EMSD comprises one engineer and one inspector. EMSD will redeploy existing manpower resources, as appropriate, to step up the monitoring of the operation and maintenance of Ngong Ping 360 on a need basis.

> Mont HO KWONG WAI Name in block letters Post Title Director of Electrical and Mechanical Services 27 March 2008 Date