

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
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Controlling Officer: Director of Electrical and Mechanical Services

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Question:

Given the frequent occurrence of aerial ropeway incidents during last year, please provide the expenditures in connection with the inspection of aerial ropeways according to the table below:

| Year | Aerial Ropeways | |
|------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| | Inspection indicator | Expenditures involved |
| 2010 | | |
| 2011 | | |
| 2012 | | |

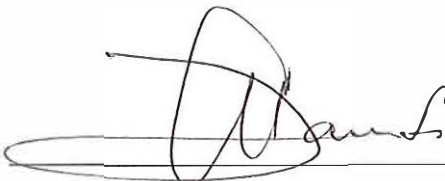
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Reply:

The annual expenditures for enforcing safety of aerial ropeways, including processing of applications for approval of major alteration of aerial ropeways, assessment of competence of operating personnel, inspections and incident investigations, etc., in 2010, 2011 and 2012 are set out in the table below:

| Year | Aerial Ropeways | |
|------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| | Inspection indicator | Expenditures involved |
| 2010 | 85 | \$1.7 million |
| 2011 | 86 | \$2.1 million |
| 2012 | 85 | \$2.1 million |

The figure for 2010 is based on the actual expenditure incurred in the financial year 2010-11. The figures for 2011 and 2012 are based on the projected expenditure for 2011-12 and the estimated expenditure for 2012-13 respectively.

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