EPD awards North Lantau Transfer Station and Outlying Islands Transfer Facilities Second Follow-On Contract

The Environmental Protection Department (EPD) today (July 28) announced that, following an open tender process, Canvest — Paul Y Joint Venture has won the North Lantau Transfer Station and Outlying Islands Transfer Facilities Second Follow-On Contract.

"The North Lantau Transfer Station (NLTS) commenced operation in 1997, while the Outlying Islands Transfer Facilities (OITF) commenced service progressively from 1998 to 2003. They have been in operation for over 20 years and most of the facilities have been ageing with severe wear and tear. We need to implement refurbishment and upgrading works to maintain reliable and safe waste transfer services and enhance the operational efficiency and environmental performance of the transfer station and transfer facilities. The EPD plans to start the works after the expiry of the existing operation contract. During the works period, the normal services at the NLTS and OITF will be maintained," an EPD spokesperson said.

The NLTS is located on Sham Shui Kok Drive, Siu Ho Wan, on North Lantau, while the OITF comprises a network of seven small-scale waste transfer facilities located at Mui Wo, Cheung Chau, Peng Chau, Hei Ling Chau, Yung Shue Wan, Sok Kwu Wan and Ma Wan. Every day, the waste delivered to the NLTS and OITF is immediately containerised in purpose-built sealed containers for onward sea transportation by purpose-built container vessels to the West New Territories Landfill for disposal.

Upon completion of the improvement works, the NLTS and OITF will have their waste handling efficiency comprehensively improved and environmental performance further enhanced, with an upgraded odour control system, better vehicle washing facilities, upgraded aged waste container vessels with new zero-emission electric propulsion models, enhanced energy-saving management, improved facility energy efficiency along with an improved appearance.

The spokesperson added, "Regarding the successful bidder of the Second Follow-On Contract, Canvest — Paul Y Joint Venture, its lead joint venture participant is Canvest Environmental Protection Group Company Limited, which is a non-state owned waste management company and is also participating in the cleansing and waste collection services in Hong Kong; while the other joint venture participant is Paul Y. Construction Company, Limited. With the rapid development of the environmental protection industry in the Mainland, we hope that the new contractor can bring in innovative ideas and state-of-the-art technology to the management and operation of the transfer station and transfer facilities in Hong Kong."