

MTR Awards drive pursuit for Quality, Safety and Environmental Excellence

The MTR Corporation presented the 2010 bi-annual Quality, Safety and Environmental Awards to recognize the outstanding performance of its contractors and consultants working on the West Island Line (WIL) and the Express Rail Link (XRL) projects.

Among all awards, Gammon Construction Limited and Leighton Contractors (Asia) Limited captured the Gold Safety Award for their outstanding performance with effective safety control measures applied in managing WIL and XRL projects respectively. The Gold Quality Awards went to Gammon Nishimatsu WIL Joint Venture on WIL and Gammon-Leighton Joint Venture for XRL in appreciation of their excellent performance with systems set up on quality management and control.

On environmental management, Dragages- Maeda- BSG Joint Venture received the Gold Award on the WIL project, while the one on XRL went to Hsin Chong Construction Company Ltd. Dragages- Maeda- BSG Joint Venture achieved the most significant noise reduction through acoustic enclosure installation at Sai Wu Lane, and successfully minimizing vibration with water as blast ballast for the blasting operation at King George V Memorial Park on WIL construction. Hsin Chong Construction Company Ltd. adopted a new construction method and technology from Japan on piles removal works at MTR Nam Cheong Station, which had also significantly reduced noise and vibration from the operation and minimise the possible impact to nearby residences.

Appreciation were also made to individual workers for their contribution by presenting the Near Miss Report Awards, the Most Improved and Lowest Reportable Accident Frequency Rate (RAFR) Awards, Contractors' Supervisor Safety Awards and the MTR Site Team Awards.

Mr T C Chew, Projects Director of the MTR Corporation, praised the continuous improvement achieved by contractors and consultants working on railway projects over the period. "The QSE Awards represent our commitment to establishing and maintaining a high standard for performance on quality, safety and environmental management, and we are glad to see the support from our contractors and consultants in bringing our railway projects forward with continuous improvement". Mr Chew also thanked the Royal and Sun Alliance Insurance plc., SCOR Reinsurance Company (Asia) Ltd., Munich Re Group, Zurich Insurance Company Ltd., Willis Hong Kong Limited and DNV Cleaner Energy & NG China for their contribution in providing more incentives to all contractors and workers with a view to further improve the safety management on-site.

The bi-annual MTR Projects Quality, Safety and Environmental Awards are designed to promote continuous improvement and high standards performance on quality, safety and environmental management among consultants and contractors working on MTR railway projects.

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1. Mr Lau Ka Keung, Director of Highways (the fourth from the right), presents the West Island Line Project Gold Quality Award to Gammon Construction Limited and the Express Rail Link Project Gold Quality Award to Gammon Construction Ltd. and Leighton Contractors (Asia) Ltd. respectively at the MTR Projects Quality, Safety and Environmental Awards presentation ceremony.



- Mr Rod Hockin, General Manager – West Island Line/South Island Line (East) (middle) presents the West Island Line Project Gold Quality Award to Gammon Nishimatsu WIL Joint Venture.



- Mr Paul Lo, General Manager – Express Rail Link (right) presents the Express Rail Link Project Gold Quality Award to Gammon- Leighton Joint Venture.



4. Dragages- Maeda- BSG Joint Venture attains the West Island Line Project Gold Environmental Award.



5. Hsin Chong Construction Co., Ltd. receives the Express Rail Link Project Gold Environmental Award from Mr David Sorton, General Manager – XRL Civil Construction (middle).



6. MTR Projects Quality, Safety and Environmental Awards are designed to recognise outstanding performance of its contractors in railway projects.

