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**Ropeway maintenance and annual servicing of
Ngong Ping Cable Car starts on 23 May**

(Hong Kong, 21 April 2011) Cable Car service at Ngong Ping 360 will be temporarily closed for about a month starting from 23 May 2011 for scheduled maintenance works on the ropeways and annual examination of the system.

Mr. Raymond Leung, Head of Cable Car Operations of Ngong Ping 360, said: "We realize that temporary closure will cause inconvenience to our visitors; however, we hope they understand that these regular works on the ropeway are scheduled to take place to ensure the safety and the reliability of the Cable Car system. It is also a regulatory requirement to conduct an annual examination."

Ropeway experts from Europe will be carrying out the maintenance works on site which will include tightening of the haul rope and shifting the track rope from its existing anchor points at the towers, this will ensure all parts of the ropeway remain in top condition. The Ngong Ping 360 engineering team has been working with the experts from Europe since last year to plan and prepare for the exercise.

"On completion of all the scheduled works and the annual servicing, an independent ropeway surveyor, also from Europe, will conduct a thorough annual examination of the Cable Car system," Mr. Leung said.

A date for resumption of service will be announced after completion of all the scheduled maintenance works. The ropeway surveyor will put the system through all the necessary tests to confirm the system is performing satisfactorily.

Visitors may continue take the bus or taxi to go to Ngong Ping Village, which will remain open during the maintenance period.

Ngong Ping 360 will also collaborate with New Lantao Bus Co., Ltd, bringing special offers to visitors. Those who buy the Lantau Pass can visit one of the multimedia theatres at Ngong Ping Village – Walking with Buddha or Monkey’s Tale Theatre – on the same day by paying HK\$1.

In addition, visitors who spend up to \$100 at Ngong Ping Village can get a free MTR single journey ticket for travelling from Tung Chung Station to any MTR destination (excluding Light Rail, MTR Bus, Airport Express and Lo Wu Station or Lok Ma Chau Station) and a special gift worth more than HK\$50 from Ngong Ping 360.

For more information on the Ngong Ping Cable Car service arrangements, please call the Ngong Ping 360 hotline at 3666 0606 or visit our website at www.np360.com.hk.

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