

I. Preface

The days continue to go on and wheel of time continues to turn, in a blink of an eye another year has come again.

Whenever at this time, the feeling of nostalgia would inevitably be reflected on the passing of years, are memorable and hard to let go. Looking forward to the coming years fill with great hope that the vision and expectations in the future.

With the National Freeway No. 5 and 6, and so on successively completed and opened to traffic, that would create freeway network growing fast. In addition to this bureau has to continue to maintain a safe, meanwhile, the most important is to provide travelers with a comfortable driving environment and convenient traffic, and then high-quality freeway coupled with excellence in intelligent transportation networks, and this is our vision and mission, but also all of people in the island yearn for. I have the honor to bear the highway management responsibility since taking office as well as I mind that at all times. Under our mission structure we surmise to enthusiasm and care in creating an innovative image, and actively implement the hardware construction --- construction of new interchange, maintenance of highway scenery, establishment of highway traffic management system, promotion of eco-engineering project, we also have the good perspective on that software planning --- service area's operation transfer and the combination of local regional and cultural characteristics as well as intelligent transportation systems. Over the years, all of my colleagues with the efforts at the coordination and team spirit, we have achieved much and this is reflected in our fruitful results.

Where the footprints left behind there we walked and experience are gained through our endeavors. As we looked back at our endeavors in the past one year, with our superior's direction and the labors of my colleagues who have been dedicating themselves to work day and night, all projects are completed according to the original



schedule with high quality, furthermore, the overall performance evaluation that has been at the top of other bodies. This honor is not only to give a high certainty to all of my colleagues, but also a source of pride and applause for their hard work over the past years. Although the work is likened to have been a tough steep hill to labor, sweating and panting we have gotten there and bringing a sense of achievement and fulfillment is our reward.

In the coming fortune year of the cattle, here, we still face harsh challenges, such as traffic information management coordination and command center system (TIMCCC), strengthening the safety management of the Hsuehshan Tunnel, continuation and promotion of electronic toll collection (ETC), upgrading to the service area's management quality as well as research into sustainable development of freeway and conservation of its surrounding environment, the widen projects of freeway and bridges seismic assessment and retrofit program are awaiting the undertaking of my fellow colleagues to be overcome by efforts together.

Although the passage of time, our spirits and expectations do not to change, I sincerely wish the status of colleagues not to be complacent with the current achievements and continue to act professionally and efficiently to meet our goals of a solid step-by-step. One step at a time, steadily improving to meet challenges with test, passion and creativity to realize our dreams and create another wonderful performance, meanwhile, we will be able to succeed.

This Annual Report was a review of this bureau over the past one year on the outcome of our efforts, which were organized by all of the divisions, and we also expect for the advanced study, and please do not hesitate to make comments for us.

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