# 《2005 年廢物處置(修訂)條例草案》 草案委員會要求當局跟進的事項

### 離島的醫療廢物收集安排

現時在十多個提供醫療廢物收集服務的商營廢物收集商當中,有些收集商已為東涌及愉景灣等較偏遠地區提供收集服務。自二零零六年一月中起,其中一名廢物收集商開始爲醫院管理局位於長洲、南丫島和坪洲三個離島的醫院及診所定期收集醫療廢物。該收集商亦已接觸各離島的私人執業診所及其他醫療廢物產生者,表示可提供登門收集醫療廢物的服務。我們會繼續聯絡廢物收集商及醫療廢物產生者以確保在法例生效之後廢物產生者可以得到該種收集服務。

咨詢香港醫學會有關委員會審議階段修正案中授權環境保護署署 長界定新出現的具有傳染性及可能嚴重危害健康的廢物為屬於附 表8第6組的其他廢物的字眼

2. 我們已經咨詢香港醫學會有關環境保護署署長可以藉憲報刊登的公告將任何他認爲相當可能受源自屬該公告指明的病例定義涵蓋的病人的傳染性物料污染,及可能嚴重危害健康的廢物,指明爲屬於第6組的醫療廢物的建議。香港醫學會並不反對該建議。有關香港醫學會與環境保護署之間的來往書信現夾附於後(只有英文版)。

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Mr. David Ha Senior Environmental Protection Officer Environmental Protection Department 45/F., Revenue Tower, 5 Gloucester Road, Wanchai, H.K.

Dear Mr. Ha.

#### Waste Disposal Amendment Bill (2005) The Bill

I write to inform you that the HKMA Council had a discussion last night and resolved that the Association had no objection to the proposed definition of Group 6 Clinical Waste as stipulated in your letter dated 25 January 2006.

However, the HKMA Council would like to re-emphasize our concern about the provision of clinical waste collection service for the private practitioners working in outlying islands. Please make sure that there will not be a shortage of clinical waste collection service in these areas after the enactment of the law.

If you have further queries, please do not hesitate to contact Miss Sophia Lau on 2527 8452.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Cheung Hon Ming

Hon. Secretary

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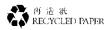
Dear Dr. Choi

# Waste Disposal (Amendment) Bill 2005 (The Bill) Definition of Group 6 Clinical Waste

The Bills Committee on the Waste Disposal (Amendment) Bill 2005 has discussed about the definition of Group 6 clinical waste as set out in the Annex. Before we set out the arrangement for defining Group 6 clinical waste through Committee stage amendments (CSAs) to the Bill, we would like to seek your views.

We have looked at several ordinances to draw reference in proposing a suitable mechanism to define "other wastes" as described under Group 6 clinical waste. Having taking into account the need for clarity and transparency, and that any person who fails to comply with the proposed regulatory control framework under the Bill may commit an offence, we propose that the Director of Environmental Protection (DEP) may specify in a gazette notice

"such wastes that, in his opinion, are likely to be contaminated with infectious materials from patients falling within such case definition as specified in the notice, and may pose a significant health risk"



as Group 6 clinical waste. In forming his opinion, DEP will also consult the Department of Health.

Since the Bills Committee will start to consider the CSAs soon after the Chinese New Year, I would appreciate if you could provide your view on the proposed mechanism by 2 February 2006. If you need more details, please contact me at 2594 6112.

Yours sincerely,

(David Ha)

for Director of Environmental Protection

## Proposed Definition of Group 6 Clinical Waste in the Bill

### **Group 6 – Other Wastes**

Other wastes which are likely to be contaminated with -

- (a) infectious materials (other than infectious materials referred to in Group 4): or
- (b) any clinical waste being substance, matter or thing belonging to Group 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5, and which pose a significant health risk.