

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL BRIEF

Air Pollution Control Ordinance (Cap. 311)
Ozone Layer Protection Ordinance (Cap. 403)
Noise Control Ordinance (Cap. 400)
Water Pollution Control Ordinance (Cap. 358)
Dumping at Sea Ordinance (Cap. 466)

AIR POLLUTION CONTROL (REDUCTION OF FEE FOR PERMIT FOR OPEN BURNING) REGULATION 2005

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WATER POLLUTION CONTROL (GENERAL) (AMENDMENT) REGULATION 2005

DUMPING AT SEA (FEES ADJUSTMENT) REGULATION 2005

INTRODUCTION

On 13 October 2005, the Secretary for the Environment, Transport and Works, after consultation with the Advisory Council on the Environment, has made the Regulations/Amendment Regulations at Annexes A to F in accordance with the Ordinances listed in the table below to revise the fees payable under their corresponding Regulations.

<u>Annex</u>	<u>Ordinance</u>	<u>Corresponding Regulation</u>
A	Section 43 of Air Pollution Control Ordinance (Cap. 311)	Air Pollution Control (Open Burning) Regulation (Cap. 311 sub. leg. O)
B	- ditto -	Air Pollution Control (Specified

		Processes) Regulations (Cap. 311 sub. leg. F)
C	Section 16 of Ozone Layer Protection Ordinance (Cap. 403)	Ozone Layer Protection (Fees) Regulations (Cap. 403 sub. leg. A)
D	Section 27 of Noise Control Ordinance (Cap. 400)	Noise Control (General) Regulations (Cap. 400 sub. leg. A)
E	- ditto -	Noise Control (Air Compressors) Regulations (Cap. 400 sub. leg. C)
F	- ditto -	Noise Control (Hand Held Percussive Breakers) Regulations (Cap. 400 sub. leg. D)

2. At the meeting of the Executive Council on 18 October 2005, the Council ADVISED and the Chief Executive ORDERED that, under section 46 of the Water Pollution Control Ordinance, the Water Pollution Control (General) (Amendment) Regulation 2005, at Annex G, should be made. This will revise the fees payable under the Water Pollution Control (General) Regulations.

3. On 13 October 2005, the Director of Environmental Protection has made the Dumping at Sea (Fees Adjustment) Regulation 2005, at Annex H, under section 4 and section 32 of the Dumping at Sea Ordinance (Cap. 466) to revise the fees payable under the Dumping at Sea (Fees) Regulation.

BACKGROUND AND ARGUMENT

4. It is Government policy that fees should in general be set at levels sufficient to recover the full cost of providing the services. Most Government fees and charges have been frozen since February 1998 as an exceptional measure to alleviate the financial burden on the public in times of economic difficulty. Among the environment and conservation related fees and charges proposed for revision, some were last revised in 2000-01 when the economy was gradually picking up, the rest were last revised in 1997-98. To abide by the “user pays” principle, the Financial Secretary indicated in the 2004-05 Budget Speech the need to consider the resumption of revision of Government fees and charges. In this connection, a fee revision review exercise was conducted in 2004. The review indicated that many of the fees needed to be revised based on the “user pays” principle.

5. We consulted the Legislative Council Panel on Environmental Affairs on 21 December 2004 on the proposals to revise the fees under the aforementioned regulations. Members of the panel did not raise any objection to the proposed fee revision. The existing and proposed fees are summarized in Annex I.

6. For this revision exercise, we propose to adjust 24 fee items, of which 14 will be reduced and 10 increased. The adjustments include the following:

- (a) Air Pollution Control Ordinance (6 fee items)
 - (i) to reduce the fee for open burning permit under the Air Pollution (Open Burning) Regulation by 40% to its full cost. The cost computation is shown at Annex J; and
 - (ii) to increase the specified processes licence fees by 10% with a view to phasing in full cost recovery within the next 3 years, and to reduce the fee for a certified copy of an entry in the register of specified processes under the Air Pollution (Specified Processes) Regulations by 8% to the full cost. The cost computation is shown in Annex K; and

- (b) Ozone Layer Protection Ordinance (3 fee items)

to reduce the fees for registration and for a licence to import or export a specified consignment of a scheduled substance under the Ozone Layer Protection (Fees) Regulations by 13%, whilst the fee for a combined licence to import and export a specified consignment of a scheduled substance will be reduced by 9% to their full cost. The cost computation is shown at Annex L; and;

- (c) Noise Control Ordinance (4 fee items)
 - (i) to increase the fees payable under the Noise Control (General) Regulations by 20% with a view to phasing in their full cost recovery over the next six years. The cost computation is shown at Annex M; and
 - (ii) to increase the fees payable under the Noise Control (Air Compressors) Regulations and the Noise Control (Hand Held Percussive Breakers) Regulations by 10% with a view to phasing in their full cost recovery over the next two years. The cost computation is shown at Annexes N and O; and

- (d) Water Pollution Control Ordinance (10 fee items)
 - (i) except for the two licence fees mentioned in (ii) below, to reduce the fees of the Water Pollution Control (General) Regulations by 8% to 24% to their full costs; and
 - (ii) to increase the licence fees for discharge or deposit from industrial, institutional or commercial premises of domestic sewage only and the fees for new licence or variation or renewal of licence for discharge or deposit from domestic premises under the Regulations by 14% with a view to achieving full cost recovery within three years. The cost computation is shown at Annex P; and

- (e) Dumping At Sea Ordinance (1 fee item)

to reduce the fee for a copy of an entry in the register under Section 6(1)(c) of the Ordinance by 8% to its full costs. The cost computation is shown at Annex Q.

THE AMENDMENT REGULATIONS

7. The Amendment Regulations seek to revise the fees with effect from 1 January 2006 as set out at Annexes A to H.

LEGISLATIVE TIMETABLE

8. The legislative timetable is as follows –

Publication in the Gazette	28 October 2005
Tabling in the Legislative Council	2 November 2005
Commencement	1 January 2006

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

9. The Environmental Affairs Panel of the Legislative Council was consulted on the proposal at its meeting on 21 December 2004. Members had no objection to the proposed revision of fees in accordance with the “user pays” principle. The Advisory Council on the Environment was consulted on the proposal at its meeting on 17 January 2005. Members supported the fee revision proposals which are in line with the “user pays” principle.

PRODUCTIVITY

10. We have been taking measures to reduce costs through implementing efficiency initiatives, reprioritizing service provision and streamlining procedures. This has been factored into the calculation of costs for the individual fee items. As a result, the majority of fees are reduced.

FINANCIAL AND CIVIL SERVICE IMPLICATIONS

11. The proposed fees revision will result in a net increase in revenue of \$177,720 per annum, as summarized below –

<u>Ordinance</u>	<u>Increase / Decrease of Revenue</u>
Air Pollution Control Ordinance	\$13,240
Ozone Layer Protection Ordinance	(\$67,570)
Noise Control Ordinance	\$494,000
Water Pollution Control Ordinance	(\$261,925)
Dumping at Sea Ordinance	(\$25)
Total	\$177,720

12. There are no staffing implications.

OTHER IMPLICATIONS

13. The fee proposal is in conformity with the Basic Law, including the provisions concerning human rights. Besides, the Amendment Regulations will not affect the binding effect of the aforementioned Ordinances. The proposed fee revisions will have no major

impact on the trades concerned.

PUBLICITY

14. The Amendment Regulations will be published in the Gazette on 28 October 2005. A press release will be issued on the same day. A spokesman will be made available to answer media enquiries.

ENQUIRY

15. For any enquiries on this brief, please contact Mr. Lawrence CHEUNG, Senior Environmental Protection Officer of the Environmental Protection Department, at 2835 1330 or fax 3121 5702.

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October 2005*

List of Annexes

- Annex A - Air Pollution Control (Reduction of Fee for Permit for Open Burning) Regulation 2005
- Annex B - Air Pollution Control (Specified Processes) (Amendment) Regulation 2005
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**AIR POLLUTION CONTROL (REDUCTION OF FEE
FOR PERMIT FOR OPEN BURNING) REGULATION
2005**

(Made by the Secretary for the Environment, Transport and Works under section 43 of the Air Pollution Control Ordinance (Cap. 311) after consultation with the Advisory Council on the Environment)

1. Commencement

This Regulation shall come into operation on 1 January 2006.

2. Application for and issue of permit

Section 6(1) of the Air Pollution Control (Open Burning) Regulation (Cap. 311 sub. leg. O) is amended by repealing "\$3,730" and substituting "\$2,250".



Secretary for the Environment,
Transport and Works

13 October, 2005

Explanatory Note

This Regulation reduces the fee payable under the Air Pollution Control (Open Burning) Regulation (Cap. 311 sub. leg. O) for obtaining a permit to carry out open burning within the meaning of that Regulation.

AIR POLLUTION CONTROL (SPECIFIED PROCESSES)(AMENDMENT) REGULATION 2005

(Made by the Secretary for the Environment, Transport and Works under section 43 of the Air Pollution Control Ordinance (Cap. 311) after consultation with the Advisory Council on the Environment)

1. Commencement

This Regulation shall come into operation on 1 January 2006.

2. Fees

The Third Schedule to the Air Pollution Control (Specified Processes) Regulations (Cap. 311 sub. leg. F) is amended –

- (a) in item 1, by repealing “6,130” and substituting “6,740”;
- (b) in item 3, by repealing “3,795” and substituting “4,170”;
- (c) in item 4, by repealing “1,840” and substituting “2,020”;
- (d) in item 5, by repealing “3,795” and substituting “4,170”;
- (e) in item 6, by adding “of specified processes” after “register”;
- (f) in item 6, by repealing “60” and substituting “55”.



Secretary for the Environment,
Transport and Works

13 October, 2005

Explanatory Note

The main purpose of this Regulation is to revise the fees payable for –

- (a) obtaining, varying or transferring a licence to conduct a specified process under the Air Pollution Control Ordinance (Cap. 311);
- (b) varying or cancelling any term or condition imposed under section 22 of the Ordinance on exempted premises; and
- (c) obtaining a certified copy of an entry in the register of specified processes.

**OZONE LAYER PROTECTION (FEE REDUCTION)
REGULATION 2005**

(Made by the Secretary for the Environment, Transport and Works under section 16 of the Ozone Layer Protection Ordinance (Cap. 403) after consultation with the Advisory Council on the Environment)

1. Commencement

This Regulation shall come into operation on 1 January 2006.

2. Prescribed fees

The Schedule to the Ozone Layer Protection (Fees) Regulations (Cap. 403 sub. leg. A) is amended –

- (a) in item 1, by repealing “2,805” and substituting “2,430”;
- (b) in item 2(a), by repealing “940” and substituting “815”;
- (c) in item 2(b), by repealing “940” and substituting “815”;
- (d) in item 2(c), by repealing “1,330” and substituting “1,210”.



Secretary for the Environment,
Transport and Works

13 October, 2005

Explanatory Note

This Regulation reduces the fees payable under the Ozone Layer Protection (Fees) Regulations (Cap. 403 sub. leg. A) for the following items –

- (a) registration under section 5 of the Ozone Layer Protection Ordinance (Cap. 403) for the purposes of exporting or importing scheduled substances within the meaning of that Ordinance (section 2(a)); and
- (b) obtaining a licence to import, export or both import and export a scheduled substance (section 2(b), (c) and (d)).

**NOISE CONTROL (GENERAL)(FEE REVISION)
REGULATION 2005**

(Made by the Secretary for the Environment, Transport and Works under section 27 of the Noise Control Ordinance (Cap. 400) after consultation with the Advisory Council on the Environment)

1. Commencement

This Regulation shall come into operation on 1 January 2006.

2. Fees payable on application for a construction noise permit

(1) Regulation 8(1) of the Noise Control (General) Regulations (Cap. 400 sub. leg. A) is amended by repealing "\$690" and substituting "\$830".

(2) Regulation 8(2) is amended by repealing "\$635" and substituting "\$760".



Secretary for the Environment,
Transport and Works

13 October, 2005

Explanatory Note

This Regulation increases the fees payable on applications for construction noise permits in respect of –

- (a) use of powered mechanical equipment in construction work (other than percussive piling) or prescribed construction work (section 2(1)); and

(b) percussive piling (section 2(2)).

**NOISE CONTROL (AIR COMPRESSORS)(FEE
REVISION) REGULATION 2005**

(Made by the Secretary for the Environment, Transport and Works under section 27 of the Noise Control Ordinance (Cap. 400) after consultation with the Advisory Council on the Environment)

1. Commencement

This Regulation shall come into operation on 1 January 2006.

2. Application for the noise emission label

(1) Regulation 8(1) of the Noise Control (Air Compressors) Regulations (Cap. 400 sub. leg. C) is amended by repealing "\$405" and substituting "\$445".

(2) Regulation 8(2)(c) is amended by repealing "\$405" and substituting "\$445".

3. Schedule 3 amended

Schedule 3 is amended, in Note 4 of Form 1, by repealing "\$405" and substituting "\$445".



Secretary for the Environment,
Transport and Works

13 October, 2005

Explanatory Note

This Regulation increases the application fee for a noise emission label for an air compressor.

**NOISE CONTROL (HAND HELD PERCUSSIVE
BREAKERS)(FEE REVISION) REGULATION 2005**

(Made by the Secretary for the Environment, Transport and Works under section 27 of the Noise Control Ordinance (Cap. 400) after consultation with the Advisory Council on the Environment)

1. Commencement

This Regulation shall come into operation on 1 January 2006.

2. Application for the noise emission label

(1) Regulation 8(1) of the Noise Control (Hand Held Percussive Breakers) Regulations (Cap. 400 sub. leg. D) is amended by repealing "\$405" and substituting "\$445".

(2) Regulation 8(2)(c) is amended by repealing "\$405" and substituting "\$445".

3. Schedule 3 amended

Schedule 3 is amended, in Note 4 of Form 1, by repealing "\$405" and substituting "\$445".



Secretary for the Environment,
Transport and Works

13 October, 2005

Explanatory Note

This Regulation increases the application fee for a noise emission label for a hand held percussive breaker.

**WATER POLLUTION CONTROL
(GENERAL)(AMENDMENT) REGULATION 2005**

(Made by the Chief Executive in Council under section 46
of the Water Pollution Control Ordinance (Cap. 358)
after consultation with the Advisory Council
on the Environment)

1. Commencement

This Regulation shall come into operation on 1 January 2006.

2. Fees

The Third Schedule to the Water Pollution Control (General) Regulations (Cap. 358 sub. leg. D) is amended –

- (a) in item 1(a)(ii), by repealing "1,470" and substituting "1,300";
- (b) in item 1(a)(iii), by repealing "1,655" and substituting "1,300";
- (c) in item 1(b)(i), by repealing "735" and substituting "650";
- (d) in item 1(b)(ii), by repealing "810" and substituting "650";
- (e) in item 1(b)(iii), by repealing "810" and substituting "650";
- (f) in item 1A, by repealing "110" and substituting "125";
- (g) in item 2(a), by repealing "3,480" and substituting "2,650";
- (h) in item 2(b), by repealing "1,455" and substituting "1,150";
- (i) in item 3, by repealing "110" and substituting "125";
- (j) in item 4, by repealing "60" and substituting "55".



Clerk to the Executive Council

COUNCIL CHAMBER

18 October 2005

Explanatory Note

This Regulation amends the Third Schedule to the Water Pollution Control (General) Regulations (Cap. 358 sub. leg. D) for the following purposes -

- (a) in relation to the discharge or deposit from industrial, institutional or commercial premises -
 - (i) to reduce the fee for a new licence or variation of a licence (section 2(a) and (b));
 - (ii) to reduce the fee for the renewal of a licence, or the issue of a new licence at the expiry of a licence granted under section 15 of the Water Pollution Control Ordinance (section 2(c), (d) and (e));
- (b) to increase the fee for the discharge or deposit from industrial, institutional or commercial premises of domestic sewage only (section 2(f));
- (c) in relation to the discharge or deposit from a domestic sewage treatment plant -
 - (i) to reduce the fee for a new licence or variation of a licence (section 2(g));
 - (ii) to reduce the fee for the renewal of a licence, or the issue of a new licence at the expiry of a licence granted under section 15 of the Water Pollution Control Ordinance (section 2(h));
- (d) to increase the fee for a new licence or variation or renewal of a licence in the case of discharge or deposit from domestic premises (section 2(i));
- (e) to reduce the fee for the issue of a certified copy of an entry in the register (section 2(j)).

Executive Council

DUMPING AT SEA (FEES ADJUSTMENT) REGULATION 2005

(Made by the Authority under section 32 of
the Dumping at Sea Ordinance (Cap. 466))

1. Commencement

This Regulation shall come into operation on 1 January 2006.

2. Schedule amended

The Schedule to the Dumping at Sea (Fees) Regulation (Cap. 466 sub. leg. A) is amended, in item 2, by repealing "60" and substituting "55".


Authority

13 October, 2005

Explanatory Note

This Regulation reduces the fee payable for a copy of an entry in the register of permits compiled by the Authority.

**1. Comparison of the Existing and Proposed Fees under the
Air Pollution Control Ordinance**

	<u>Existing</u> <u>Fee</u> \$	<u>Proposed</u> <u>Fee</u> \$
<u>Section 6 of the Air Pollution Control (Open Burning) Regulation</u>		
(1) Application for and issue of a permit	3,730	2,250
<u>Third Schedule to the Air Pollution Control (Specified Processes) Regulations</u>		
(2) For an application, under section 14 of the Ordinance, for a licence	6,130	6,740
(3) For an application, under section 18 of the Ordinance, for a variation of a licence	3,795	4,170
(4) For an application, under section 18A of the Ordinance, for transfer of a licence	1,840	2,020
(5) For an application, under section 23 of the Ordinance, for variation or cancellation of any term or condition imposed under section 22	3,795	4,170
(6) For a certified copy of an entry in the register of specified processes	60	55

2. Comparison of the Existing and Proposed Fees under the Ozone Layer Protection Ordinance

	<u>Existing</u> <u>Fee</u> \$	<u>Proposed</u> <u>Fee</u> \$
<u>Schedule of the Ozone Layer Protection (Fees) Regulations</u>		
(1) The fee for registration under section 5	2,805	2,430
(2) The fee for a licence to import or export issued under section 6(1)	940	815
(3) The fee for a licence to import and export issued under section 6(1)	1,330	1,210

3. Comparison of the Existing and Proposed Fees under the Noise Control Ordinance

	<u>Existing</u> <u>Fee</u> \$	<u>Proposed</u> <u>Fee</u> \$
<u>Noise Control (General) Regulations</u>		
(1) Application for a Construction Noise Permit (Construction Work Other Than Percussive Piling) (Regulation 8(1))	690	830
(2) Application for a Construction Noise Permit (Percussive Piling) (Regulation 8(2))	635	760
<u>Noise Control (Air Compressors) Regulations</u>		
(3) Application for a Noise Emission Label - Air Compressor	405	445
<u>Noise Control (Hand Held Percussive Breakers) Regulations</u>		
(4) Application for a Noise Emission Label - Hand Held Percussive Breaker	405	445

4. Comparison of the Existing and Proposed Fees under the Water Pollution Control Ordinance

		<u>Existing</u> <u>Fee</u> \$	<u>Proposed</u> <u>Fee</u> \$
<u>Third Schedule of the Water Pollution Control (General) Regulations</u>			
	1. Discharge or deposit from industrial, institutional or commercial premises –		
	(a) for a new licence, except at the expiry of a licence granted under section 15 of the Ordinance, or variation of a licence –		
(1)	(ii) where the flow rate exceeds 10 cubic metres but does not exceed 30 cubic metres per day	1,470	1,300
(2)	(iii) where the flow rate exceeds 30 cubic metres per day	1,655	1,300
	(b) for renewal of a licence, or a new licence at the expiry of a licence granted under section 15 of the Ordinance-		
(3)	(i) where the flow rate does not exceed 10 cubic metres per day	735	650
(4)	(ii) where the flow rate exceeds 10 cubic metres but does not exceed 30 cubic metres per day	810	650
(5)	(iii) where the flow rate exceeds 30 cubic metres per day	810	650
(6)	1A. Discharge or deposit from industrial, institutional or commercial premises of domestic sewage only	110	125
	2. Discharge or deposit from a domestic sewage treatment plant-		
(7)	(a) for a new licence, except at the expiry of a licence granted under section 15 of the Ordinance, or variation of a licence	3,480	2,650
(8)	(b) for renewal of a licence, or a new licence at the expiry of a licence granted under section 15 of the Ordinance	1,455	1,150
(9)	3. For a new licence or variation or renewal of a licence in the case of discharge or deposit from domestic premises	110	125
(10)	4. For the issue of a certified copy of an entry in the register under section 42(3) of the Ordinance	60	55

**5. Comparison of the Existing and Proposed Fees under the
Dumping at Sea Ordinance**

	<u>Existing</u> <u>Fee</u> \$	<u>Proposed</u> <u>Fee</u> \$
<u>Schedule of the Dumping at Sea (Fees) Regulations</u>		
(1) Copy of an entry in the register under section 6(1)(c) of the Ordinance	60	55

COST COMPUTATION

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT

Fees under the Air Pollution Control (Open Burning) Regulation
(Cost at 2004-05 Prices)

	(1)
	\$
Staff Costs	2,079
Departmental Expenses	64
Accommodation Costs	38
Depreciation	1
Central Administrative Overhead	63
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Total Cost	2,245
Estimated number of cases	1
Unit Cost at 2004-05 prices (\$)	2,245
Existing fee (\$)	3,730
Proposed fee (\$)	2,250

Legend

(1) Application for and issue of permit

COST COMPUTATION

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT

Fees under the Air Pollution Control (Specified Processes) Regulations
(Cost at 2004-05 Prices)

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Staff Costs	110,374	64,235	2,016	4,014	50
Departmental Expenses	3,364	1,980	63	123	2
Accommodation Costs	2,083	1,239	40	76	1
Depreciation	29	17	1	1	0
Central Administrative Overhead	3,347	1,948	60	121	2
Total Cost	119,197	69,419	2,180	4,335	55
Estimated number of cases	14	16	1	1	1
Unit Cost at 2004-05 prices (\$)	8,514	4,339	2,180	4,335	55
Existing fee (\$)	6,130	3,795	1,840	3,795	60
Proposed fee (\$)	6,740	4,170	2,020	4,170	55

Legend

- (1) For an application, under section 14 of the Ordinance, for a licence
- (2) For an application, under section 18 of the Ordinance, for variation of a licence
- (3) For an application, under section 18A of the Ordinance, for transfer of a licence
- (4) For an application, under section 23 of the Ordinance, for variation or cancellation of any term or condition imposed under section 22 of the Ordinance
- (5) For a certified copy of an entry in the register of specified processes

COST COMPUTATION

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT

Fees under the Ozone Layer Protection (Fees) Regulations
(Cost at 2004-05 Prices)

	(1)	(2)	(3)
	\$	\$	\$
Staff Costs	2,108	6,769	657
Departmental Expenses	70	203	20
Accommodation Costs	69	174	17
Depreciation	1	2	0
Cost of Services Provided by Other Departments	106,988	294,972	42,658
Central Administrative Overhead	64	205	20
Total Cost	109,300	302,325	43,372
Estimated number of cases	43	371	36
Unit Cost at 2004-05 prices (\$)	2,429	815	1,205
Existing fee (\$)	2,805	940	1,330
Proposed fee (\$)	2,430	815	1,210

Legend

- (1) Fee for registration as an importer or exporter of scheduled substance under section 5
- (2) Fee for a licence to import or export a specified consignment of a scheduled substance under section 6(1)
- (3) Fee for a combined licence to import and export a specified consignment of a scheduled substance under section 6(1)

COST COMPUTATION

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT

Fees under the Noise Control (General) Regulations
(Cost at 2004-05 Prices)

	(1) \$	(2) \$
Staff Costs	6,706,716	626,977
Departmental Expenses	390,778	35,569
Accommodation Costs	185,944	16,764
Depreciation	1,748	163
Central Administrative Overhead	203,375	19,011
Total Cost	<u>7,488,561</u>	<u>698,484</u>
Estimated number of cases	2,970	360
Unit Cost at 2004-05 prices (\$)	2,521	1,940
Existing fee (\$)	690	635
Proposed fee (\$)	830	760

Legend

- (1) Construction noise permit (construction work other than percussive piling) under Regulation 8(1)
- (2) Construction noise permit (percussive piling) under Regulation 8(2)

COST COMPUTATION

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT

Fees under the Noise Control (Air Compressors) Regulations
(Cost at 2004-05 Prices)

	(1) \$
Staff Costs	82,101
Departmental Expenses	5,178
Accommodation Costs	2,679
Depreciation	21
Central Administrative Overhead	2,489
Total Cost	<u>92,468</u>
Estimated number of cases	180
Unit Cost at 2004-05 prices (\$)	514
Existing fee (\$)	405
Proposed fee (\$) (Note)	445

Legend

(1) Noise emission label for air compressor under Regulation 8

COST COMPUTATION

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT

Fees under the Noise Control (Hand Held Percussive Breakers) Regulations
(Cost at 2004-05 Prices)

	(1)
	\$
Staff Costs	296,480
Departmental Expenses	18,695
Accommodation Costs	9,675
Depreciation	77
Central Administrative Overhead	8,990
Total Cost	<u>333,917</u>
Estimated number of cases	650
Unit Cost at 2004-05 prices (\$)	514
Existing fee (\$)	405
Proposed fee (\$) (Note)	445

Legend

(1) Noise emission label for hand held percussive breaker under Regulation 8

COST COMPUTATION

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT

Fees under the Water Pollution Control (General) Regulations
(Cost at 2004-05 Prices)

	(1) \$	(2) \$	(3) \$	(4) \$	(5) \$
Staff Costs	302,372	254,567	498,792	116,525	102,256
Departmental Expenses	10,609	8,931	17,499	4,088	3,589
Accommodation Costs	7,174	6,038	11,852	2,770	2,430
Depreciation	79	66	130	30	27
Central Administrative Overhead	9,169	7,720	15,125	3,534	3,101
Total Cost	<u>329,403</u>	<u>277,322</u>	<u>543,398</u>	<u>126,947</u>	<u>111,403</u>
Estimated number of cases	253	213	839	196	172
Unit Cost at 2004-05 prices (\$)	1,302	1,302	648	648	648
Existing fee (\$)	1,470	1,655	735	810	810
Proposed fee (\$)	1,300	1,300	650	650	650

Legend

- (1) Licence for discharge or deposit from industrial, institutional or commercial premises (flow rate exceeding 10 cubic metres per day but not exceeding 30 cubic metres per day)
- (2) Licence for discharge or deposit from industrial, institutional or commercial premises (flow rate exceeding 30 cubic metres per day)
- (3) Renewal of licence for discharge or deposit from industrial, institutional or commercial premises (flow rate not exceeding 10 cubic metres per day)
- (4) Renewal of licence for discharge or deposit from industrial, institutional or commercial premises (flow rate exceeding 10 cubic metres per day but not exceeding 30 cubic metres per day)
- (5) Renewal of licence for discharge or deposit from industrial, institutional or commercial premises (flow rate exceeding 30 cubic metres per day)

Fees under the Water Pollution Control (General) Regulations
(Cost at 2004-05 Prices)

	(6) \$	(7) \$	(8) \$	(9) \$	(10) \$
Staff Costs	730	24,355	16,903	146	50
Departmental Expenses	28	859	610	6	2
Accommodation Costs	20	583	420	4	1
Depreciation	0	6	4	0	0
Central Administrative Overhead	23	739	512	4	2
Total Cost	801	26,542	18,449	160	55
Estimated number of cases	5	10	16	1	1
Unit Cost at 2004-05 prices (\$)	160	2,654	1,153	160	55
Existing fee (\$)	110	3,480	1,455	110	60
Proposed fee (\$)	125	2,650	1,150	125	55

Legend

- (6) Licence for discharge or deposit from industrial, institutional or commercial premises of domestic sewage only
- (7) New licence or variation of licence for discharge or deposit from domestic sewage treatment plant
- (8) Renewal of licence for discharge or deposit from domestic sewage treatment plant
- (9) New licence or variation or renewal of licence for discharge or deposit from domestic premises
- (10) Issue of a certified copy of an entry in the register under section 42(3)

COST COMPUTATION

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT

Fees under the Dumping at Sea (Fees) Regulation
(Cost at 2004-05 Prices)

	(1)
	\$
Staff Costs	246
Departmental Expenses	12
Accommodation Costs	8
Depreciation	0
Central Administrative Overhead	7
Total Cost	<u>273</u>
Estimated number of cases	5
Unit Cost at 2004/05 prices (\$)	55
Existing fee (\$)	60
Proposed fee (\$)	55

Legend

(1) Copy of an entry in the register under section 6(1)(c) of the Ordinance