

**Subcommittee on
Product Eco-responsibility (Plastic Shopping Bags) Regulation**

**List of follow-up actions arising from the discussion
at the meeting on 11 March 2009**

- (1) To relay to the Secretary for the Environment members' request for his presence at the next Subcommittee meeting on 13 March 2009 to discuss the feasibility of extending the scope of the environmental levy scheme on plastic shopping bags (PSB) to newspaper and magazine stalls.
- (2) To state it clearly in Part B3 of the draft application for registration that branch business registration may be accepted as proof of third party operation. To also consider conducting a mock trial for the affected trades to complete the draft specified forms with a view to identifying any practical difficulties.
- (3) To consider providing incentives to encourage more qualified retailers to register as registered retailers. Otherwise, some retailers may try to get round the environmental levy by providing consumers with paper bags or plastic bags not subject to control.
- (4) To review the phrase "not properly made" in proposed sections 3, 6 and 8 of the Regulation as this may give the Director power which will be wider than necessary.
- (5) To specify in proposed sections 4, 7 and 9 the timeframe within which the Director should require further information and/or make her decision on the approval/rejection of application for registration.
- (6) To advise the possible effects on registration if a registered retailer fails to give the Director notice of any change in information in relation to his application for registration within the specified period under proposed section 5 due to unawareness of such change.
- (7) To provide all draft specified forms, including application for deregistration, to be made under the Regulation.
- (8) To provide the draft amendments to the Regulation before the next Subcommittee meeting.