

**Subcommittee on
Air Pollution Control (Volatile Organic Compounds)
(Amendment) Regulation 2009**

**List of follow-up actions arising from the discussion
at the meeting on 9 September 2009**

At the meeting on 9 September 2009, the Administration was requested

- (a) to include in the speech of the Secretary for the Environment to be delivered at the motion debate on the Amendment Regulation an undertaking to review the need to tighten the maximum limit of VOC content for regulated vehicle refinishing paints as set out in Annex A of CB(1)2538/08-09(01) in accordance with the standards adopted by the California Air Resources Board (i.e. the limits proposed under the Amendment Regulation) within one year after the implementation on 1 October 2011;
- (b) to further review the definition of “importer” to study whether it should include owner, consignee, agent or broker, in particular shipping agent, as "importer";
- (c) to provide detailed breakdown on the estimated amount of VOC emission reduction to be achieved by the end of 2010 given that upon the relaxation of the VOC content limits for vehicle refinishing paints, there would be a shortfall of about 35 tonnes of VOC emissions in respect of the 2010 emission target (i.e. 31 000 tonnes of VOC emissions) agreed between the Government of Hong Kong Special Administrative Region and Guangdong Provincial Government; and
- (d) to provide information on the measures implemented or to be implemented by the Guangdong Provincial Government to meet the 2010 VOC emission target, in particular measures to promote the use of water-based and low VOC-containing paints.