Bills Committee on Motor Vehicle Idling (Fixed Penalty) Bill

List of Follow-up Actions Arising from Discussion at Meeting on 8 July 2010

Administration's Response

- (a) To obtain information from Designing Hong Kong on the technology which could allow the air conditioner in a vehicle to run on battery power for a short period whilst the engine was switched off as mentioned by their representative at an earlier meeting of the Bills Committee.
- 1. According to the representative of Designing Hong Kong who attended the Bills Committee meeting on 1 June 2010, he made the remarks with reference to his hybrid private car which could run on battery power to provide air conditioning for 15 minutes after the engine is switched off. He believed that the ban against idling vehicles with running engines would provide economic incentive or create demand for the speedy development of after-market retrofits with the same capability.

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