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**Proposed amendments to motion on
“Advocating a low carbon life”**

Further to LC Paper No. CB(3) 486/09-10 issued on 25 February 2010, three Members (Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee, Hon KAM Nai-wai and Dr Hon Priscilla LEUNG Mei-fun) have respectively given notice of their intention to move separate amendments to Hon CHAN Hak-kan’s motion on “Advocating a low carbon life” scheduled for the Council meeting of 10 March 2010. As directed by the President, the respective proposed amendments will be printed in the terms in which they were handed in on the Agenda of the Council.

2. To assist Members in debating the above motion and amendments, I set out below the procedure to be followed during the debate:

- (a) Hon CHAN Hak-kan moves his motion;
- (b) the President proposes the question on Hon CHAN Hak-kan’s motion, and orders a joint debate;
- (c) the President calls on the three Members, who intend to move amendments, to speak in the following order, but no amendment is to be moved at this stage:
 - (i) Hon Audrey EU;
 - (ii) Hon KAM Nai-wai; and
 - (iii) Dr Hon Priscilla LEUNG;

- (d) the President calls upon the designated public officer(s) to speak;
- (e) joint debate on the motion and the amendments follows thereafter;
- (f) the President gives leave to Hon CHAN Hak-kan to speak for the second time on the amendments;
- (g) the President calls upon the designated public officer(s) again to speak;
- (h) in accordance with Rule 34(5) of the Rules of Procedure, the President has decided that he will call upon the three Members to move their respective amendments in the order set out in paragraph (c) above. The President invites Hon Audrey EU to move her amendment to the motion, and forthwith proposes and puts to vote the question on Hon Audrey EU's amendment;
- (i) after Hon Audrey EU's amendment has been voted upon, the President deals with the other two amendments; and
- (j) after all amendments have been dealt with, the President calls upon Hon CHAN Hak-kan to reply. Thereafter, the President puts to vote the question on Hon CHAN Hak-kan's motion, or his motion as amended, as the case may be.

3. For Members' ease of reference, the terms of the original motion and of the motion, if amended, are set out in the **Appendix**.

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(Translation)

**Motion debate on
“Advocating a low carbon life”
to be held at the Legislative Council meeting
of Wednesday, 10 March 2010**

1. Hon CHAN Hak-kan’s original motion

That the governments of various places are actively motivating their people and enterprises to lead a low carbon life so as to address global climate change; in this connection, this Council urges the SAR Government to lead Hong Kong to become a low carbon city through comprehensive policies and setting work targets and timetables, and the relevant measures should include:

- (a) to study the establishment of an effective mechanism to enable people to calculate carbon emissions in daily life on their own so as to understand their carbon footprints;
- (b) to study the introduction of a ‘carbon emission reduction bonus point scheme’, whereby the purchase of energy-saving products and reduction in electricity consumption can be exchanged into bonus points which can be used to pay fees of government services and facilities, so as to encourage people to save energy;
- (c) to study further expansion of the coverage of the ‘Mandatory Energy Efficiency Labelling Scheme’;
- (d) to actively promote the ‘Water Efficiency Labelling Scheme’, review its effectiveness and study the feasibility of its mandatory implementation;
- (e) to formulate effective policies to enhance source separation of waste, facilitate food waste recycling and reuse, and optimize the use of landfill gas;
- (f) to expand the scale of the Government’s green product procurement and formulate a labelling system in this respect, so as to facilitate the development of a market for green products;
- (g) to promote the development of local organic agriculture and fisheries and improve the labelling system for organic products, so that people can purchase agriculture and fishery products with low carbon footprints;
- (h) to encourage enterprises to make efforts to reduce carbon emissions, including offering assistance in conducting carbon audits, upgrading emission reduction technology, and obtaining accredited certification, etc.;

- (i) to strengthen greening efforts to achieve the objectives of improving cityscape and reducing heat island effects;
- (j) to actively develop green transportation, including electric vehicles, and expand cycling tracks to reduce carbon emissions arising from transport needs; and
- (k) to step up publicity and education to encourage people to live a low carbon life.

2. Motion as amended by Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee

That, *as* the governments of various places are actively motivating their people and enterprises to lead a low carbon life so as to address global climate change *and develop the environmental industry*; in this connection, this Council urges the SAR Government to lead Hong Kong to become a low carbon *and quality* city through comprehensive policies and setting work targets and timetables, and the relevant measures should include:

- (a) to study the establishment of an effective mechanism to enable people to calculate carbon emissions in daily life on their own so as to understand their carbon footprints;
- (b) to study the introduction of a ‘carbon emission reduction bonus point scheme’, whereby the purchase of energy-saving products and reduction in electricity consumption can be exchanged into bonus points which can be used to pay fees of government services and facilities, so as to encourage people to save energy;
- (c) to study further expansion of the coverage of the ‘Mandatory Energy Efficiency Labelling Scheme’;
- (d) to actively promote the ‘Water Efficiency Labelling Scheme’, review its effectiveness and study the feasibility of its mandatory implementation;
- (e) to formulate effective policies to enhance source separation of waste, facilitate food waste recycling and reuse, and optimize the use of landfill gas;
- (f) to expand the scale of the Government’s green product procurement and formulate a labelling system in this respect, so as to facilitate the development of a market for green products;
- (g) to promote the development of local organic agriculture and fisheries and improve the labelling system for organic products, so that people can purchase agriculture and fishery products with low carbon footprints;

- (h) to encourage enterprises to make efforts to reduce carbon emissions, including offering assistance in conducting carbon audits, upgrading emission reduction technology, and obtaining accredited certification, etc.;
- (i) to strengthen greening efforts to achieve the objectives of improving cityscape and reducing heat island effects;
- (j) to actively develop green transportation, including electric vehicles, *install more escalators* and expand cycling tracks to reduce carbon emissions arising from transport needs; ~~and~~
- (k) to step up publicity and education to encourage people to live a low carbon life; *and*
- (l) *to enhance the support for the grassroots and the disadvantaged, so as to reduce the impacts on them caused by the society's transformation process to a low carbon city.*

Note: Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee's amendment is marked in *bold and italic type* or with deletion line.

3. Motion as amended by Hon KAM Nai-wai

That ~~the governments of various places are actively motivating their,~~ *as the Hong Kong economy is gradually showing signs of recovery, and the Financial Secretary has also forecast a surplus of \$19 billion in the Operating Account for 2009-10 in the 2010-11 Budget, the Government has the responsibility to allocate more resources to actively motivate* people and enterprises to lead a low carbon life ~~so as save energy and protect the environment,~~ *and* to address global climate change *by developing a green economy and leading a low carbon life*; in this connection, this Council urges the SAR Government to lead Hong Kong to become a low carbon city through comprehensive policies and setting work targets and timetables, and the relevant measures should include:

- (a) to study the establishment of an effective mechanism to enable people to calculate carbon emissions in daily life on their own so as to understand their carbon footprints;
- (b) to study the introduction of a 'carbon emission reduction bonus point scheme', whereby the purchase of energy-saving products and reduction in electricity consumption can be exchanged into bonus points which can be used to pay fees of government services and facilities, so as to encourage people to save energy;

- (c) to study further expansion of the coverage of the ‘Mandatory Energy Efficiency Labelling Scheme’;
- (d) to actively promote the ‘Water Efficiency Labelling Scheme’, review its effectiveness and study the feasibility of its mandatory implementation;
- (e) to formulate effective policies to enhance source separation of waste, facilitate food waste recycling and reuse, and optimize the use of landfill gas;
- (f) to expand the scale of the Government’s green product procurement and formulate a labelling system in this respect, so as to facilitate the development of a market for green products;
- (g) to promote the development of local organic agriculture and fisheries and improve the labelling system for organic products, so that people can purchase agriculture and fishery products with low carbon footprints;
- (h) to encourage enterprises to make efforts to reduce carbon emissions, including offering assistance in conducting carbon audits, upgrading emission reduction technology, and obtaining accredited certification, etc.;
- (i) to strengthen greening efforts to achieve the objectives of improving cityscape and reducing heat island effects;
- (j) to actively develop green transportation, including electric vehicles, and expand cycling tracks, *improve and develop footbridge and subway networks, and encourage people to make more use of public transportation and mass transit systems, so as to reduce carbon emissions arising from transport needs; and*
- (k) to step up publicity and education to encourage people to live a low carbon life;
- (l) *to expeditiously legislate to ban idling vehicles with running engines, subsidize franchised bus companies to replace their high-polluting old-model vehicles, designate ‘low emission zones’ in areas with serious air pollution and restrict the entry of heavy diesel vehicles with high emissions into such zones, so as to improve roadside air quality;*
- (m) *to adopt the World Health Organization’s Air Quality Guidelines for setting air quality benchmarks and the timetable for achieving such benchmarks, and amend the Air Pollution Control Ordinance to make ‘protecting public health’ a statutory requirement; and*
- (n) *to expeditiously and directly subsidize people to use compact fluorescent lamps and other energy-saving products.*

Note: Hon KAM Nai-wai's amendment is marked in *bold and italic type* or with deletion line.

4. Motion as amended by Dr Hon Priscilla LEUNG Mei-fun

That the governments of various places are actively motivating their people and enterprises to lead a low carbon life so as to address global climate change; in this connection, this Council urges the SAR Government to lead Hong Kong to become a low carbon city through comprehensive policies and setting work targets and timetables, and the relevant measures should include:

- (a) to study the establishment of an effective *product-based* mechanism to enable people to calculate carbon emissions in daily life on their own so as to understand their carbon footprints;
- (b) to study the introduction of a 'carbon emission reduction bonus point scheme', whereby the purchase of ~~energy-saving~~ *environment-friendly (such as energy-saving and water-saving)* products and reduction in electricity consumption can be exchanged into bonus points which can be used to pay fees of government services and facilities, so as to encourage people to save energy;
- (c) to study further expansion of the coverage of the 'Mandatory Energy Efficiency Labelling Scheme';
- (d) to actively promote the 'Water Efficiency Labelling Scheme' *which is also an eco-labelling scheme*, review its effectiveness and study the feasibility of its mandatory implementation;
- (e) to formulate effective policies to enhance source separation of waste, facilitate food waste recycling and reuse, and optimize the use of landfill gas;
- (f) to expand the scale of the Government's green product procurement ~~and formulate a labelling system in this respect, so as to facilitate the development of a market for green products;~~ *to cover all government departments and public organizations, and provide tax allowance or concession, etc. for private enterprises which are willing to procure products with eco-label certification, so that the Government can take the lead in promoting the messages of green consumerism and procurement;*
- (g) *to formulate a reliable, independent and widely accepted eco-labelling system to facilitate the development of a market for green products;*
- ~~(g)~~(h) to promote the development of local organic agriculture and fisheries and improve the labelling system for organic products, so that people can purchase agriculture and fishery products with low carbon footprints;

- (h)(i) to encourage enterprises to make efforts to reduce carbon emissions, including offering assistance in conducting carbon audits, ***tying in with green procurement***, upgrading emission reduction technology, and obtaining accredited certification, etc.;
- (i)(j) to strengthen greening efforts to achieve the objectives of improving cityscape and reducing heat island effects;
- (i)(k) to actively develop green transportation, including electric vehicles, ***and hybrid vehicles, advocate the use of biodiesel*** and expand cycling tracks to reduce carbon emissions arising from transport needs; and
- (k)(l) to step up publicity and education to encourage people to live a low carbon life.

Note: Dr Hon Priscilla LEUNG Mei-fun's amendment is marked in ***bold and italic type*** or with deletion line.