

Panel on Environmental Affairs

List of follow-up actions
(position as at 23 June 2010)

Subject	Date of meeting	Follow-up action required	Administration's response
1. <u>Green measures in the Government</u>	20.12.2006	<p>The Administration to provide -</p> <p>(a) an updated information paper to respond to members' concerns on targets of green measures in the Government; and</p> <p>(b) a written response to the submission from the Green Council on the green measures in the Government which was tabled at the meeting.</p>	<p>The Administration advised that a consultancy study was commissioned by the Environmental Protection Department to update the existing "green" specifications and develop "green specifications" for more items commonly used by the Government. The Administration had in mid-2009 extended the study to cover more products, in order to promote the green procurement policy. The whole study is expected to be completed in the latter half of 2010. The Panel will be informed of the latest progress after completion of the study.</p>

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2. <u>Promoting the use of electric vehicles</u>	22.6.2009	<p>The Administration to provide a progress report on promoting electric vehicles within three months, setting out the following information -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) history of electric vehicles and the measures taken to overcome the operational difficulties encountered in the past;(b) promotion plans for electric vehicles, including the incentives to encourage the switch to electric vehicles, the time frame for introduction of legislative amendments and the provision of battery charging facilities in Government and private multi-storey car parks and roadside metered car parks;(c) supply of electric and hybrid vehicles as well as details of the studies and testing being conducted on these vehicles, including "My Car";(d) vehicles in the Government and bus fleets which could be replaced with electric models and their replacement	Administration's response was circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(1) 1989/09-10 on 24 May 2010.

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		<p>programmes,</p> <p>(e) measures taken to encourage the development of green industries associated with the manufacture of accessory parts for electric vehicles;</p> <p>(f) impact on electricity supply arising from charging of all electric vehicles at night time; and</p> <p>(g) promotion plans for electric motorcycles.</p>	
<p>3.1 <u>Update on the progress of the key initiatives in the “Policy Framework for the Management of Municipal Solid Waste (2005-2014)”</u></p>	<p>29.3.2010</p>	<p>The Administration to provide -</p> <p>(a) updated figures on reduction of paper consumption by Government bureaux and departments; and</p> <p>(b) a supplementary information paper on the Green Lunch Charter, setting out the targeted reduction on the use of disposable lunch boxes and the timeframe for achieving the target.</p>	<p>Administration's response was circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(1) 2249/09-10 on 14 June 2010.</p>

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<p>3.2 <u>A new producer responsibility scheme for waste electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE)</u></p>	<p>29.3.2010</p>	<p>The Administration to -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) address the trade's concerns about the WEEE Scheme; (b) explain the Government's role in the Scheme, (c) provide an estimate on the distribution of and treatment cost incurred (using detoxification, dismantling, shredding and sorting of recyclable materials) for small and large WEEE and the respective levy to be collected; and (d) advise whether consideration would be given to refund the levy to consumers who purchased electric and electronic equipment in Hong Kong for use overseas. 	<p>Response awaited.</p>
<p>4.1 <u>363DS – Provision of interception facilities at Jordan Valley Box Culvert (JVBC) and 372DS – Rehabilitation and construction of trunk sewers underneath Shing Mun River Channel</u></p>	<p>24.5.2010</p>	<p>The Administration to provide supplementary information on the percentage of treatment capacity of Stonecutters Island sewage treatment works (STW) to be used to treat the intercepted flows from JVBC, the implication to the STW's service life, the additional treatment cost to be incurred, as well as the</p>	<p>Response awaited.</p>

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		enforcement actions taken to combat illegal discharges and expedient connections.	
4.2 <u>329DS – Upgrading of Pillar Point sewage treatment works</u>	24.5.2010	<p>The Administration to provide -</p> <p>(a) supplementary information on the difference between Lamma Island STW and Pillar Point STW in the adoption of the design-build-operate approach, as well as measures to protect Government's interest against non-performance of the contractor in the operational phase of the Pillar Point STW; and</p> <p>(b) a list of projects under the purview of the Environment Bureau which would require increases in approved project estimates.</p>	<p>Administration's response was circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(1) 2070/09-10 on 31 May 2010.</p> <p>Response awaited.</p>
4.3 <u>Framework Agreement on Hong Kong/Guangdong Co-operation - Environmental protection and ecology conservation</u>		The Administration to provide a supplementary information paper on the joint law enforcement actions in respect of marine fisheries.	Response awaited.