

**Panel on Environmental Affairs**

**List of follow-up actions**

(position as at 14 December 2010)

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Date of meeting</b>	<b>Follow-up action required</b>	<b>Administration's response</b>
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 has 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 study was extended in mid-2009 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>A new producer responsibility scheme for waste electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE)</u>	29.3.2010	<p>The Administration to -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) address the trade's concerns about the WEEE Scheme;</li> <li>(b) explain the Government's role in the Scheme,</li> <li>(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</li> <li>(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.</li> </ul>	<p>The public consultation on the WEEE Scheme was completed on 30 April 2010. The Administration is in the process of examining more than 2 700 submissions collected from the public consultation for developing the details of the WEEE Scheme. The Administration would continue to properly engage the stakeholders concerned in mapping out the way forward.</p>
3. <u>District Cooling System at the Kai Tak Development</u>	28.6.2010	<p>The Administration was requested to provide information on how far the original estimates had been exceeded, the cost of each of the three phases of the project, the justifications for adopting the</p>	<p>Response awaited.</p>

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		Design-Build-Operate approach, and whether there were other alternative procurement options to choose from.	
4. <u>Public Consultation on Hong Kong's Climate Change Strategy and Action Agenda</u>	22.9.10	The Administration was requested to provide the report of the consultancy study on climate change once available.	Administration's response was circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(1) 753/10-11 on 10 December 2010.
5. <u>Policy initiatives of the Environment Bureau in the Chief Executive's 2010-2011 Policy Address</u>	25.10.10	The Administration to -  (a) provide a comparison between waste-to-energy and nuclear energy in terms of cost and electricity tariff;  (b) advise the circumstances under which franchised bus companies would be required to use hybrid buses;  (c) provide the replacement programme for refuse collection vehicles; and  (d) provide the village sewerage projects which had been completed in the last three years.	Response awaited.

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6.1 <u>Development of EcoPark</u>	22.11.10	The Administration to provide - (a) information on short-term tenancies being leased to the recycling industry; (b) information on the setting of rents for lots in EcoPark, with particular reference to the savings in the cost of treatment and disposal of waste; and (c) record of unused recyclable materials by EcoPark which had to be disposed of at landfills.	Response awaited.
6.2 <u>5172DR – Development of Organic Waste Treatment Facilities – Phase I in Siu Ho Wan, North Lantau</u>		The Administration to provide - (a) a clearer copy of the plan showing the location of the Organic Waste Treatment Facilities; and (b) information on the experience of the management of Park Island in the treatment of food waste.	Response awaited.