

立法會
Legislative Council

LC Paper No. CB(3) 423/11-12

Ref : CB(3)/M/MM

Tel : 3919 3300

Date : 10 February 2012

From : Clerk to the Legislative Council

To : All Members of the Legislative Council

Council meeting of 15 February 2012

**Amendments to motion on
“Government-led promotion of
a territory-wide energy conservation campaign”**

Further to LC Paper No. CB(3) 381/11-12 issued on 3 February 2012, three Members (Hon KAM Nai-wai, Hon CHAN Hak-kan and Hon Audrey EU) have respectively given notices of their intention to move separate amendments to Hon CHAN Kin-por’s motion on “Government-led promotion of a territory-wide energy conservation campaign” scheduled for the Council meeting of 15 February 2012. As directed by the President, the respective amendments will be printed in the terms in which they were handed in on the Agenda of the Council.

2. The President will order a joint debate on the above motion and amendments. To assist Members in debating the motion and amendments, I set out below the procedure to be followed during the debate:

- (a) the President calls upon Hon CHAN Kin-por to speak and move his motion;
- (b) the President proposes the question on Hon CHAN Kin-por’s motion;
- (c) the President calls upon 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 KAM Nai-wai;
 - (ii) Hon CHAN Hak-kan; and
 - (iii) Hon Audrey EU;
- (d) the President calls upon the designated public officer(s) to speak;
- (e) the President invites other Members to speak;
- (f) the President gives leave to Hon CHAN Kin-por 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 KAM Nai-wai to move his amendment to the motion, and forthwith proposes and puts to vote the question on Hon KAM Nai-wai's amendment;
- (i) after Hon KAM Nai-wai'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 Kin-por to reply. Thereafter, the President puts to vote the question on Hon CHAN Kin-por'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**.

(Mrs Justina LAM)
for Clerk to the Legislative Council

Encl.

(Translation)

**Motion debate on
“Government-led promotion of
a territory-wide energy conservation campaign”
to be held at the Council meeting of 15 February 2012**

1. Hon CHAN Kin-por’s original motion

That the Government proposes in the Consultation Document on Hong Kong’s Climate Change Strategy and Action Agenda to significantly increase, in 2020, the proportion of nuclear power generation in Hong Kong’s fuel mix for power generation from 23% in 2009 to 50% and the proportion of electricity generated using natural gas from 23% to 40%, but given that the earlier nuclear power incident in Fukushima of Japan has aroused public concern about the safety of nuclear power, and replacing coal with natural gas, which is cleaner, for power generation will significantly increase power generation costs, the options for Hong Kong’s fuel mix for power generation are thus further limited; besides, Hong Kong is not endowed with any energy resources, promoting energy conservation therefore becomes more important; as a matter of fact, energy conservation and enhancing energy efficiency have become a major sustainable development trend among the international community, and many countries in the world (including China) have even adopted energy conservation and emission reduction as an important state policy; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to immediately formulate afresh territory-wide energy conservation policies and objectives, take the lead in organizing a territory-wide energy conservation campaign, and adopt multi-faceted incentive measures to unite and motivate people from different strata as well as enterprises to participate in the territory-wide energy conservation campaign, so as to comprehensively enhance energy efficiency in Hong Kong.

2. Motion as amended by Hon KAM Nai-wai

That, *given that* the Government proposes in the Consultation Document on Hong Kong’s Climate Change Strategy and Action Agenda to significantly increase, in 2020, the proportion of nuclear power generation in Hong Kong’s fuel mix for power generation from 23% in 2009 to 50% and the proportion of electricity generated using natural gas from 23% to 40%, but given that the earlier nuclear power incident in Fukushima of Japan has aroused public concern about the safety of nuclear power, and replacing coal with natural gas, which is cleaner, for power generation will significantly increase power

generation costs, the options for Hong Kong's fuel mix for power generation are thus further limited; besides, Hong Kong is not endowed with any energy resources, promoting energy conservation therefore becomes more important; as a matter of fact, energy conservation and enhancing energy efficiency have become a major sustainable development trend among the international community, and many countries in the world (including China) have even adopted energy conservation and emission reduction as an important state policy; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to immediately formulate afresh territory-wide energy conservation policies and objectives, take the lead in organizing a territory-wide energy conservation campaign, and adopt multi-faceted incentive measures to unite and motivate people from different strata as well as enterprises to participate in the territory-wide energy conservation campaign, so as to comprehensively enhance energy efficiency in Hong Kong; *besides, this Council also requests the Government to immediately shelve the aforesaid plan of significantly increasing the use of nuclear power (from 23% in 2009 to 50% in 2020) in order to allay people's worries about the use of nuclear power; at the same time, with a view to reducing energy consumption and electricity consumption by the public, this Council urges the Government to implement the following measures:*

- (a) to study conducting electricity consumption audits for buildings on a free of charge basis and offering a series of energy conservation recommendations after such audits, so as to reduce energy consumption and electricity consumption by the public;*
- (b) to propose in the 2012-13 Budget the provision of an electricity charge subsidy of \$1,200 to an account whose electricity consumption in a half-year period is 5% or more lower than its consumption in the corresponding period of the previous year, so as to encourage people to reduce electricity consumption;*
- (c) to propose in the 2012-13 Budget the provision of tax allowance to people who purchase energy efficient products with Grade 1 energy label, subject to a ceiling of \$5,000;*
- (d) to truly foster the development of a low-carbon traffic and transport system by including travelling on foot and cycling in the formulation and planning of its overall transport policy, and encourage people to travel on public transport and the mass transit system more frequently; at the same time, to formulate a long-term cycling policy, perfect bicycle management facilities (such as cycle parks) in various districts, actively expand cycle tracks, perfect the footbridge and subway networks in various districts, and install covers, escalators and lifts along district pedestrian walkways, with a view to reducing the*

number of vehicles on roads and encouraging people to actively live a low-carbon life;

- (e) *to actively develop green transportation, increase the number, usage and types of electric vehicles, and perfect the relevant infrastructural and complementary facilities, so as to reduce energy consumption, pollution and emissions; and*
- (f) *by way of financial subsidy or franchise extension, to push ahead the early phasing out and replacement by bus companies of buses with high emissions; and, on the premise of not affecting fares, introduce more electric or supercapacitor buses.*

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

3. Motion as amended by Hon CHAN Hak-kan

That, *given that* the Government proposes in the Consultation Document on Hong Kong's Climate Change Strategy and Action Agenda to significantly increase, in 2020, the proportion of nuclear power generation in Hong Kong's fuel mix for power generation from 23% in 2009 to 50% and the proportion of electricity generated using natural gas from 23% to 40%, but ~~given that~~ the earlier nuclear power incident in Fukushima of Japan has aroused public concern about the safety of nuclear power, and replacing coal with natural gas, which is cleaner, for power generation will significantly increase power generation costs, the options for Hong Kong's fuel mix for power generation are thus further limited; besides, Hong Kong is not endowed with any energy resources, promoting energy conservation therefore becomes more important; as a matter of fact, *motivating people and enterprises to lead a low-carbon life through measures on* energy conservation and enhancing energy efficiency ~~have~~ *has* become a major sustainable development trend among the international community, and many countries in the world (including China) have even adopted energy conservation and emission reduction as an important state policy; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to immediately formulate afresh territory-wide energy conservation policies and objectives, take the lead in organizing a territory-wide energy conservation campaign, and adopt multi-faceted incentive measures, *including studying the introduction of incentive schemes to encourage people to purchase energy-saving products or reduce electricity consumption, further expanding the types of products covered by the Mandatory Energy Efficiency Labelling Scheme, actively developing means of green transportation which include electric vehicles, studying the positioning of bicycles as a means of transport, and formulating relevant policies as well as expanding cycle track networks for reducing fossil fuel consumption, etc.*, to unite and motivate people from

different strata as well as enterprises to participate in the territory-wide energy conservation campaign, so as to comprehensively enhance energy efficiency in Hong Kong.

Note: Hon CHAN Hak-kan's amendment is marked in *bold and italic type* or with deletion line.

4. Motion as amended by Hon Audrey EU

That the Government proposes in the Consultation Document on Hong Kong's Climate Change Strategy and Action Agenda to significantly increase, in 2020, the proportion of nuclear power generation in Hong Kong's fuel mix for power generation from 23% in 2009 to 50% and the proportion of electricity generated using natural gas from 23% to 40%, but given that the earlier nuclear power incident in Fukushima of Japan has aroused public concern about the safety of nuclear power, and replacing coal with natural gas, which is cleaner, for power generation will significantly increase power generation costs, the options for Hong Kong's fuel mix for power generation are thus further limited; besides, Hong Kong is not endowed with any energy resources, promoting energy conservation therefore becomes more important; as a matter of fact, energy conservation and enhancing energy efficiency have become a major sustainable development trend among the international community, and many countries in the world (including China) have even adopted energy conservation and emission reduction as an important state policy; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to immediately formulate afresh territory-wide energy conservation policies and objectives, take the lead in organizing a territory-wide energy conservation campaign, and adopt *the following* multi-faceted incentive measures to unite and motivate people from different strata as well as enterprises to participate in the territory-wide energy conservation campaign, so as to comprehensively enhance energy efficiency in Hong Kong:

- (a) *to implement a progressive tariff structure, with a view to reducing electricity consumption;*
- (b) *to study introducing tax measures with carrot and stick to encourage energy conservation;*
- (c) *to make it a mandatory requirement for listed companies to conduct energy audits and carbon audits;*
- (d) *to progressively expand and make it mandatory to comply with the various Building Energy Codes;*
- (e) *to expand the Mandatory Energy Efficiency Labelling Scheme;*

- (f) *by drawing reference from Australia, to study the feasibility of levying a carbon tax on accounts with high electricity consumption; and*
- (g) *to enhance energy conservation in the Central Government Complex and the Legislative Council Complex, etc.*

Note: Hon Audrey EU's amendment is marked in *bold and italic type*.