

Panel on Environmental Affairs

List of follow-up actions
(position as at 10 October 2011)

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 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 was completed in the latter half of 2010. Subsequently, the Administration issued circulars on encouraging the use of green materials in public works projects and pursuing green procurement</p>

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			<p>in the Government in January 2011 and March 2011 respectively. The Panel will be informed of the latest progress in due course.</p>
<p>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>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>

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3. <u>Policy initiatives of the Environment Bureau in the Chief Executive's 2010-2011 Policy Address</u>	25.10.2010	The Administration to provide a comparison between waste-to-energy and nuclear energy in terms of cost and electricity tariff.	Response awaited.
4. <u>Proposed capital injection into the Environment and Conservation Fund</u>	28.3.2011	The Administration to provide more information on the progress of on-site treatment of food waste in residential developments when submitting the funding proposal for Phase II of the Organic Waste Treatment Facilities.	Response awaited.
5. <u>Impacts of the development of nuclear energy for local power generation on Hong Kong</u>	29.4.2011	The Administration to provide information on the safety standards, notification mechanism and evacuation plans for the Daya Bay Nuclear Power Station.	Response awaited.