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Subcommittee to Follow Up the outstanding Capital Works Projects of the Former Municipal Councils

Retrofitting of Air-conditioning and General Improvement Works to 19 Existing Markets and/or Cooked Food Centres

PURPOSE

This paper provides Members with a revised implementation timetable for the retrofitting of air-conditioning (A/C) and general improvement works to 19 existing markets and/or cooked food centres ("CFCs").

BACKGROUND

2. At the last Subcommittee meeting held on 15 November 2001, Members requested the Administration to consider further ways of advancing the implementation timetable for the 19 A/C retrofitting and general improvement works projects.

IMPLEMENTATION TIMETABLE

3. We have further reviewed the implementation timetable for the 19 projects. A revised implementation timetable is at Annex for Members' reference. Should everything goes smoothly, it is anticipated that individual projects could be upgraded to the Public Works Programme Category A in November 2002 at the earliest, and construction work contracts would be awarded in February 2003 with completion dates between March 2004 to early 2005 for the 19 projects

depending on their scale and complexities.

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Annex

Implementation timetable for retrofitting of air-conditioning and improvement works to 19 Markets/Cooked Food Centres

1.	Appointment of Consultants (i) 10 ex-PUC Markets/Cooked Food Centres (ii) 9 ex-ProRC Markets/Cooked Food Centres	December 2001 January 2002
2.	Completion of schematic design for consultation	February 2002
3.	Consultation with the Market Management Consultative Committee and lessees of the 19 markets/cooked food centres	February 2002 to March 2002
4.	Prepare detailed design, working drawings and tender documents	April 2002 to October 2002
5.	Invitation of tenders	October 2002
6.	Upgrading of the project to Cat. A	November 2002
7.	Award of Contract	February 2003
8.	Estimated completion date of works (including testing and fine tuning of A/C installation)	March 2004 to early 2005 depending on the scale and complexities of individual projects