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Panel on Environmental Affairs

Minutes of meeting held on Thursday, 13 October 2005, at 5:30 pm in Conference Room B of the Legislative Council Building

Members present : Hon CHOY So-yuk, JP (Chairman)

Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP (Deputy Chairman)

Hon Martin LEE Chu-ming, SC, JP

Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong Hon SIN Chung-kai, JP Hon WONG Yung-kan, JP

Hon Miriam LAU Kin-yee, GBS, JP

Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip

Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee, SC, JP

Hon LEE Wing-tat

Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung, SBS, JP

Member absent : Hon LAU Kong-wah, JP

Clerk in attendance: Miss Becky YU

Chief Council Secretary (1)1

Staff in attendance : Mrs Mary TANG

Senior Council Secretary (1)2

Mr WONG Siu-yee

Senior Council Secretary (1)7

Ms Caris CHAN

Senior Legislative Assistant (1)1

Miss Queenie LAM Senior Legislative Assistant (1)2

Miss Mandy POON Legislative Assistant(1)4

Action

I Election of Chairman and Deputy Chairman

Election of Chairman

Miss CHOY So-yuk, Chairman in office, invited nominations for the chairmanship.

- 2. Mr Martin LEE nominated Miss CHOY So-yuk for the chairmanship. In accordance with the election procedures, <u>Ms Emily LAU</u>, Deputy Chairman in office, took the chair and presided at the election of Chairman. The nomination was seconded by Mr Jeffrey LAM and accepted by Miss CHOY So-yuk.
- 3. There being no other nomination, <u>Miss CHOY So-yuk</u> was declared Chairman of the Panel.

Election of Deputy Chairman

- 4. <u>Miss CHOY So-yuk</u> took the chair and invited nominations for the deputy chairmanship.
- 5. <u>Ms Miriam LAU</u> nominated Ms Emily LAU and the nomination was seconded by Ms Audrey EU. Ms Emily LAU accepted the nomination.
- 6. There being no other nomination, <u>Ms Emily LAU</u> was declared Deputy Chairman of the Panel.

II Schedule of meetings for the 2005-2006 session

7. <u>Members</u> agreed that all meetings of the Panel would be held on the fourth Monday of each month at 2:30 pm except for the meeting in December 2005, which would be held on Tuesday, 21 December 2005, at 10:45 am.

Action

III Items for discussion at next meeting

(Appendix V to LC Paper No. — List of outstanding items for $CB(1)\ 7/05-06$ — discussion Appendix VI to LC Paper No. — List of follow-up actions) $CB(1)\ 7/05-06$

8. <u>Members</u> agreed to discuss "4340DS – Port Shelter sewerage stage 3 – Sai Kung Area 4 and Mang Kung Uk sewerage" proposed by the Administration at the next regular meeting to be held on Monday, 24 October 2005, at 2:30 pm.

(*Post-meeting note*: At the request of the Administration and with the concurrence of the Chairman, the subject on "Pilot Scheme for Management Agreements under the New Nature Conservation Policy" was subsequently included in the agenda for the meeting on 24 October 2005.)

- 9. Referring to a recent proposal by the Kadoorie Farm and Botanic Garden Corporation on land exchange involving agricultural land within conserved sites of ecological importance, the <u>Chairman</u> suggested that a joint meeting with the Panel on Planning, Lands and Works be held in due course to discuss the subject. She also expressed concern on the delay in the release of the White Paper on municipal solid waste management and considered it necessary for the Administration to brief the Panel on the progress.
- 10. Given the adverse impact of the deteriorating air quality on the entire community, Mr Martin LEE said that the Panel should place a greater emphasis on measures to improve air quality, and that consideration should be given to including the subject in the agenda of every meeting. Ms Emily LAU echoed that the Panel should be regularly updated on the progress of measures to improve both local and regional air quality. The Chairman said that the Administration had been requested to report to the Panel in late 2005 the progress of measures taken by the two power companies to meet Government's emission reduction targets by 2010.
- 11. The <u>Chairman</u> reminded members of the special meeting to be held on Friday, 21 October 2005, from 9:35 am to 10:35 am to receive a briefing by the Secretary for the Environment, Transport and Works on the Chief Executive's Policy Address 2005-2006.

IV Any other business

12. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 5:50 pm.

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