## Subcommittee to Study Issues Relating to the Air Pollution Control (Volatile Organic Compounds) Regulation

## List of follow-up actions arising from the discussion at the meeting on 18 January 2007

- (1) To provide an undertaking that the Administration would consult the trades on the feasibility of imposing liability on retailers who knowingly sell regulated products exceeding the prescribed limits on volatile organic compounds (VOCs) under the Regulation.
- (2) To review the drafting of sections 4(1)(a) and (b) to ensure that a label is affixed as prescribed on the container of a regulated paint regardless whether it has packaging or not.
- (3) To provide an undertaking that any alternative methods on the determination of VOC content of regulated paints would be uploaded onto the website of the Environmental Protection Department for public reference.
- (4) To re-consider the need for reports on regulated printing inks under section 11 if such reports are not required upon importation of the products. The requirement for reports may have accorded the Administration with excessive power, particularly when these reports are mainly used for statistical purpose but non-compliance or provision of misleading/false information would be subject to imprisonment under section 17.
- (5) To consider replacing the phrase "a regulated product that" with "goods" under section 20 to ensure consistency with the definition of "goods in transit" under section 2.

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