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 30 January 2007

- (1) To review the names of the compounds under "exempt compound" in the Regulation to ensure consistency. To also include in the Legislative Council Brief on the Regulation to be issued by the Environmental Protection Department all the amendments proposed by the Subcommittee.
- (2) To advise the anticipated improvement to the compliance rate of Air Quality Objectives after the implementation of the Regulation.
- (3) To include in the tables comparing the proposed volatile organic compounds (VOCs) limits of Hong Kong with the California's standards the existing range of VOC contents of the products to be covered under the Regulation.
- (4) To advise the manpower and financial resources earmarked for the enforcement of the Regulation. The Administration should step up enforcement, including tests of VOC contents of regulated products, to ensure compliance with the Regulation after it has come into operation.
- (5) To expedite the review of the Regulation, particularly on flat coatings, which is expected to take place one year after its implementation.

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