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**Subcommittee on
Sewage Services (Sewage Charge) (Amendment) Regulation 2007,
Sewage Services (Trade Effluent Surcharge) (Amendment) Regulation 2007
and Technical Memorandum on Procedures and Methods for Sampling and
Analysis of Trade Effluents**

**Minutes of the fifth meeting
held on Thursday, 3 May 2007, at 4:30 pm
in Conference Room A of the Legislative Council Building**

Members present : Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee, SC, JP (Chairman)
Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai, SBS, S.B.St.J.,JP
Hon WONG Yung-kan, JP
Hon Howard YOUNG, SBS, JP
Hon Miriam LAU Kin-yee, GBS, JP
Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP
Hon CHOY So-yuk, JP
Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, JP
Hon WONG Kwok-hing, MH
Hon LEE Wing-tat
Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen, SBS, JP
Hon WONG Ting-kwong, BBS
Hon TAM Heung-man

Member absent : Hon SIN Chung-kai, JP

Public officers attending : Dr Sarah LIAO
Secretary for the Environment, Transport and Works

Ms Anissa WONG
Permanent Secretary for the Environment,
Transport and Works (Environment)/
Director of Environmental Protection

Mr Raymond FAN
Deputy Director of Environmental Protection (2)

Dr Malcolm James BROOM
Assistant Director (Water Policy)
Environmental Protection Department

Dr YEUNG Hung-yiu
Principal Environmental Protection Officer

Mr KO Wing-hon, JP
Assistant Director / Sewage Services
Drainage Services Department

Mr CHUI Wing-wah
Chief Engineer / Harbour Area Treatment Scheme
Drainage Services Department

Ms Camy WAN
Senior Treasury Accountant
Drainage Services Department

Miss Clara LEUNG
Government Counsel
Department of Justice

Attendance by Invitation : Mr Alex KWAN
Project Director
Maunsell Consultants Asia Ltd

Clerk in attendance : Miss Polly YEUNG
Chief Council Secretary (1)5

Staff in attendance : Mr Timothy TSO
Assistant Legal Adviser 2

Ms Rosalind MA
Senior Council Secretary (1)8

Mr Justin TAM
Council Secretary (1)3

I Matters arising

The Subcommittee considered the way forward for dealing with the Amendment Regulations and the Technical Memorandum (TM), including the critical dates for giving notice of amendments to the Amendment Regulations and TM and options available to the Subcommittee in the event that members would not give their support to the subsidiary legislation.

II Meeting with the Administration

Discussion of outstanding items

- LC Paper No. CB(1)1519/06-07(01) — Letter dated 3 May 2007 from the Secretary for the Environment, Transport and Works on review of the cost recovery of sewage charges (*tabled at the meeting and issued to members on 4 May 2007*)
- LC Paper No. CB(1)1519/06-07(02) — Administration's response to Dr Albert KOENIG's submission (*tabled at the meeting and issued to members on 4 May 2007*)
- LC Paper No. CB(1)1519/06-07(03) — Consolidated reply of the Administration on issues related to the proposed co-use of the site for the biological treatment plant under Harbour Area Treatment Scheme Stage 2B (*tabled at the meeting and issued to members on 4 May 2007*)
- LC Paper No. CB(1)1488/06-07(01) — List of follow-up actions to be taken by the Administration for the meeting on 30 April 2007 prepared by the Secretariat
- LC Paper No. CB(1)1488/06-07(02) — Administration's response to issues raised at the meeting on 30 April 2007 and outstanding issues (*tabled at the meeting and issued to members on 4 May 2007*)

- LC Paper No. CB(1)1493/06-07(01) — Letter dated 30 April 2007 from Hon Audrey EU to Housing, Planning and Lands Bureau, Environment, Transport and Works Bureau and Economic Development and Labour Bureau (English version only)
- LC Paper No. CB(1)1488/06-07(03) — Administration's response to issues raised at the meeting on 27 April 2007 – Survey on disinfection practices in other coastal cities
- LC Paper No. CB(1)1488/06-07(04) — Administration's response to issues raised at the meeting on 27 April 2007 – Sewage charge increment projection – alternative scenarios (English version only)
- LC Paper No. CB(1)1467/06-07(01) — List of follow-up actions to be taken by the Administration for the meeting on 27 April 2007 prepared by the Secretariat
- LC Paper No. CB(1)1467/06-07(02) — Administration's response to issues raised at the meetings on 19 and 24 April 2007 (Part II)
- LC Paper No. CB(1)1449/06-07(02) — List of follow-up actions to be taken by the Administration for the meeting on 24 April 2007 prepared by the Secretariat
- LC Paper No. CB(1)1449/06-07(03) — Administration's response to issues raised at the meetings on 19 and 24 April 2007 (Part I)
- LC Paper No. CB(1)1435/06-07(01) — List of follow-up actions to be taken by the Administration for the meeting on 19 April 2007 prepared by the Secretariat
- LC Paper No. CB(1)1435/06-07(02) — Administration's response dated 23 April 2007 to issues raised at the meeting on 19 April 2007)

Clause-by-clause examination

- (LC Paper No. CB(1)1392/06-07(01) — Marked-up copy of Sewage Services (Sewage Charge) Regulation and Schedule 1 (Cap. 463 sub. leg.) as amended by L.N. 45 of 2007
- LC Paper No. CB(1)1392/06-07(02) — Marked-up copy of Sewage Services (Trade Effluent Surcharge) Regulation as amended by L.N. 46 of 2007
- LC Paper No. CB(1)1392/06-07(03) — Letter dated 27 March 2007 from the Assistant Legal Adviser (ALA) to the Administration
- LC Paper No. CB(1)1392/06-07(04) — Reply dated 28 March 2007 from the Administration to ALA's letter of 27 March 2007
- LC Paper No. CB(1)1392/06-07(05) — Letter dated 28 March 2007 from ALA to the Administration
- LC Paper No. CB(1)1392/06-07(06) — Reply dated 17 April 2007 from the Administration to ALA's letter of 28 March 2007
- L.N. 45 of 2007 — Sewage Services (Sewage Charge) (Amendment) Regulation 2007
- L.N. 46 of 2007 — Sewage Services (Trade Effluent Surcharge) (Amendment) Regulation 2007
- S.S.No.5 to Gazette No. 12/2007 — Technical Memorandum on Procedures and Methods for Sampling and Analysis of Trade Effluents)

2. The Subcommittee deliberated (Index of proceedings attached at **Appendix**).

Follow-up actions to be taken by the Administration

3. To address members' concern about regular reviews of the Sewage Charge (SC) fee levels during the 10-year increment period stipulated in the Sewage Services (Sewage Charge) (Amendment) Regulation 2007 (the SC(A) Regulation), the Administration was requested to set out in writing its undertakings on the mechanism for review and for the Legislative Council to maintain an oversight on the cost-efficiency of the sewage services, including the following:

- (a) Provide annually to the Panel on Environmental Affairs (EA Panel) the summary of the sewage services operating accounts of the previous financial year and the projection for the coming financial year, as well as review the schedule of increases specified in the legislation and seek the views of EA Panel on how the application of the polluter-pays principle should continue to be manifested if, at any time during the 10-year period,
 - (i) the sewage services accounts showed that the 80% cost recovery target for SC had been exceeded or was projected to be exceeded in the following year; or
 - (ii) the programme of the planned major sewage services related infrastructural projects i.e. advanced disinfection facilities, sludge treatment facilities and the Harbour Area Treatment Scheme (HATS) Stage 2A would be delayed by more than one year
- (b) Advance the mid-term review to mid-2011 and present the results to the EA Panel which would contain:
 - (i) a summary of the sewage services operating accounts of the previous period and projections for the coming period, including information on the actual and projected operating cost recovery rates for SC;
 - (ii) an assessment of the economic impact of the prevailing and projected SC rates;
 - (iii) an account of savings and efficiency measures undertaken by the Drainage Services Department over the review period and the plans for the coming period; and
 - (iv) the progress report and programme for HATS Stage 2B.

(Post-meeting note: The letter dated 4 May 2007 from the Secretary for Environment, Transport and Works setting out the undertakings on the review mechanism was issued to members vide LC Paper No. CB(1)1529/06-07(01) on 4 May 2007.)

4. The Subcommittee agreed that the Administration's undertakings for review of the SC recovery rate stipulated in paragraph 3 above should be referred to the EA Panel for follow up.

(Post-meeting note: As agreed by the Subcommittee in paragraph 4 above, the subject was referred to the EA Panel on 21 May 2007.)

Proposed amendments

5. To address members' concern about the economic implications of the proposed SC increments and the implementation of the increased rates before the commissioning of major sewage services projects, SETW said that subject to member's support, the Administration was prepared to put forward a revised proposal that the 10-year period of scheduled SC increases specified in the SC(A) Regulation would start on 1 April 2008, instead of 1 July 2007. On account of the support expressed by members of the Subcommittee at the meeting, the Administration undertook to move a motion to amend the SC(A) Regulation accordingly.

6. The Administration would also move a motion to amend certain textual errors in the Chinese version of the TM.

Legislative timetable

7. The Subcommittee had completed scrutiny of the Amendment Regulations and TM. Members agreed that the Chairman would make a verbal report on behalf of the Subcommittee at the House Committee meeting on 4 May 2007. Members noted that Administration would move two motions at the Council meeting on 16 May 2007 to amend the SC(A) Regulation and the TM as set out in paragraphs 5 and 6 above. The deadline for giving notice of amendment to the Amendment Regulations and TM was 9 May 2007.

III Any other business

8. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 8:00 pm.

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Technical Memorandum on Procedures and Methods for Sampling and Analysis of
Trade Effluents**

**Fifth meeting on Thursday, 3 May 2007, at 4:30 pm
in Conference Room A of the Legislative Council Building**

Time Marker	Speaker	Subject(s)	Action Required
000000 – 002106	Chairman ALA2 Mr Tommy CHEUNG Clerk Mr LEE Wing-tat Administration	<p>(a) Way forward for dealing with the Amendment Regulations and the Technical Memorandum (TM).</p> <p>(b) The Clerk's advice on the critical dates for the Subcommittee to report to the House Committee and for giving notice of amendment to the subsidiary legislation and the TM.</p> <p>(c) Mr LEE Wing-tat's enquiry about the options available to the Subcommittee if members decided not to support the subsidiary legislation, including procedures for repealing or moving amendment to the subsidiary legislation.</p> <p>(d) ALA2's advice that members could move amendments within the scope of the subsidiary legislation. ALA2 drew members' reference to the President's Ruling on a proposed resolution to amend the Public Revenue Protection (Revenue) Order 2001.</p> <p>(e) The Administration's remark that where</p>	

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		<p>appropriate, it could also move amendments to the subsidiary legislation at the Council meeting on 16 May 2007.</p> <p>(f) Mr Tommy CHEUNG's query about the rationale for the proposed Sewage Charge (SC) increments from 1 July 2007 before commissioning of major sewage services projects and his remark that he might consider moving an amendment to the Sewage Services (Sewage Charge) (Amendment) Regulation 2007 (the SC (A) Regulation) to defer the SC increments to a later date, say, in 2009.</p> <p>(g) Mr LEE Wing-tat's view that Members of the Democratic Party (DP) considered it more acceptable for LegCo to approve an incremental scheme over a shorter period of, say three years. DP Members would consider the need or otherwise to move an amendment to the SC (A) Regulation.</p>	
002107 – 002449	Administration Chairman	The Administration's briefing on the framework of the mid-term review of the cost recovery of SC during the 10-year increments. (LC Paper No. CB(1)1519/06-07(01) tabled at the meeting).	
002450 – 002714	Miss TAM Heung-man Administration	(a) Miss TAM Heung-man's query on whether adjustments to SC fee levels would be made in	

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		<p>the light of the result of the review.</p> <p>(b) The Administration's explanation on the scope of the mid-term review and its undertaking to ensure high transparency of the review results which would be provided to the Panel on Environmental Affairs (the EA Panel).</p>	
002715 – 003908	Mr Tommy CHEUNG Chairman Administration	<p>(a) Mr Tommy CHEUNG's query on:</p> <p>(i) the propriety and timeliness of the proposed SC increments before the commissioning of the major sewage services projects; and</p> <p>(ii) whether the SC increments should be reviewed annually so that the SC cost recovery rate would not exceed the projected levels as set out in Annex B2 to LC Paper No.CB(1) 1488/06-07(02).</p> <p>(b) The Administration's response that the proposed SC incremental scheme would provide gradual, mild and predictable adjustments over a 10-year period.</p> <p>(c) The Administration's clarification that if, at any time during the 10-year period, the sewage services accounts showed that the</p>	

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		<p>80% cost recovery target for SC had been exceeded or was projected to be exceeded in the following year, it would conduct a review of the SC increments and seek the views of the EA Panel on how the application of the polluter-pays principle should continue to be manifested.</p>	
003909 – 004739	<p>Mr LEE Wing-tat Administration Ir Dr Raymond HO Chairman</p>	<p>(a) Mr LEE Wing-tat relayed the concern of DP Members about the Administration's commitment on the timing for implementation of the Harbour Area Treatment Scheme (HATS) Stage 2B. Mr LEE's request that the mid-term review should be advanced to 2010-2011 so that the Administration could provide members with information on the outcome of the review on the planning and programme of HATS Stage 2B.</p> <p>(b) The Administration's advice on the timing for conducting a review on the implementation of HATS Stage 2B in 2010-2011 and its confirmation that the operating costs for Stage 2B would not be incurred before 2017-2018, and that the estimated costs had not been factored in the proposed SC increments in the coming 10 years.</p> <p>(c) Ir Dr Raymond HO's view that advancing the mid-term review to 2011</p>	

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		<p>was preferable as the Administration could also present in a comprehensive manner the projections on SC fee levels having regard to the up-to-date progress and programme for HATS Stage 2B.</p> <p>(d) The Administration's undertaking to advance the mid-term review to 2011 in response to member's concern.</p>	<p>The Administration to take follow up actions as requested in paragraph 3(b) of the minutes.</p>
004740 – 005337	Mr Andrew LEUNG Administration Chairman	<p>(a) On behalf of Members of the Liberal Party (LP), Mr Andrew LEUNG requested that:</p> <p>(i) SC fee levels should be adjusted if the cost recovery rate exceeded or would exceed the 80 % target rate.</p> <p>(ii) The proposed 10-year SC increments should preferably be implemented from 2009 when more significant increase in sewage services operating costs would be incurred with the commissioning of major sewage services projects.</p> <p>(b) The Administration's response that the Government was subsidizing some 46% of the recurrent costs of existing sewage services. The proposed SC increments would avoid sharp adjustments and increase the SC cost</p>	

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		<p>recovery rate in a gradual, predictable and affordable manner over a 10-year period in accordance with the polluter-pays principle.</p>	
005338 – 010850	<p>Ms Emily LAU Administration Mr Tommy CHUENG</p>	<p>(a) Ms Emily LAU's view that the increases in SC fee levels for cost recovery of sewage services should be implemented in a timely manner but not well in advance of increases in operating costs incurred by new sewage services projects.</p> <p>(b) Ms Emily LAU's enquiry on whether SC projections in the coming 10 years were made in accordance with the above principle.</p> <p>(c) The Administration's explanation on Annexes B1 to B5 to LC Paper No. CB(1)1488/06-07(02) and its advice that during the coming 10-year period, the projected SC expenditure would continue to exceed the SC revenue. There is no question of recurrent costs of sewage services projects being recovered in advance of their commissioning.</p> <p>(d) Mr Tommy CHEUNG's query on whether the Administration would include in the SC(A) Regulation a mechanism for downward adjustment of SC fee levels if the cost recovery rate exceeded the projected levels over the 10-year period.</p>	

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		<p>(e) The Administration's confirmation that it would seek the views of the EA Panel if the accounts showed that the 80% cost recovery target for SC had been exceeded or was projected to be exceeded in the following year. The percentage of cost recovery set out in the Annexes to LC Paper No. CB(1)1488/06-07(02) only served to illustrate how far the Administration was able to recover the recurrent costs throughout the 10-year period against the 80% cost recovery target.</p> <p>(f) The Administration's elaboration on the mechanism for oversight explained earlier on.</p>	
010851 – 011255	Mr WONG Yung-kan Administration	<p>(a) Mr WONG Yung-kan's concern about the provision of a clear timetable for implementation of HATS Stage 2B when the Administration completed the review in 2011.</p> <p>(b) The Administration's reiteration of its commitment to implement HATS Stage 2B and its undertaking to include the outcome on the review of the progress and programme for Stage 2B in the mid-term review of the SC increments.</p> <p>(c) On Mr WONG Yung-kan's concern about the recycling of treated</p>	

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		<p>effluent, the Administration's advice that pilot schemes had been conducted on the use of reclaimed effluent in flushing.</p>	
011256 – 012039	Miss CHOY So-yuk Administration	<p>(a) Miss CHOY So-yuk's concern about:</p> <p>(i) Early implementation of biological sewage treatment under HATS Stage 2B to improve water quality.</p> <p>(ii) The Administration should maintain an open mind in the selection of disinfection technology and about the most cost-effective and environmental friendly technology.</p> <p>(b) The Administration's advice that chemically-enhanced primary treatment (CEPT) with advanced disinfection under HATS Stage 2A could achieve pollutant removal efficiency equivalent to 80% of the biological treatment process. The Administration was committed to improving the water quality and would be prepared to consider new technologies for sewage treatment.</p>	
012040 – 012559	Mr WONG Kwok-hing Chairman Administration	<p>(a) Mr WONG Kwok-hing's concern that SC cost recovery should not exceed the 80% target recovery rate during the</p>	

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		<p>10-year period.</p> <p>(b) The Administration's reiteration of its undertaking to keep in view the SC increment scheme and to revert to EA Panel.</p> <p>(c) As to Mr WONG Kwok-hing's concern about the higher capital and operating costs incurred for the underground construction of the biological treatment plant under HATS Stage 2B, the Administration's confirmation that the capital costs for construction of the plant would be borne by the Administration.</p>	
012600 – 013144	<p>Chairman Ms Emily LAU Mr Tommy CHEUNG</p>	<p>Members agreed that the meeting be extended to 8:00 pm to complete scrutiny of the Amendment Regulations and TM.</p>	
013145 – 014017	<p>Administration Chairman</p>	<p>Briefing by the Administration on its responses to members' concerns raised at previous meetings (LC Paper No. CB(1)1488/06-07(02)).</p>	
014018 – 023819	<p>Mr Andrew LEUNG Mr Tommy CHEUNG Ms Emily LAU Mr LEE Wing-tat Ms Miriam LAU Ir Dr Raymond HO</p>	<p>(a) Mr Andrew LEUNG's view that the 10-year period of scheduled SC increases should start in 2009 instead of 2007.</p> <p>(b) The Administration's counter-proposal to revise the SC increment proposal so that the 10-year period of scheduled SC increases would start on 1 April 2008, instead of 1 July</p>	

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		<p>2007, subject to member's support.</p> <p>(c) In response to the concern shared by Mr Andrew LEUNG and Ms Miriam LAU about the impact of delay in the major sewage services projects, the Administration's undertaking that it would report to the EA Panel if there was delay in the implementation of major projects such as the advanced disinfection facilities, sludge treatment facilities and HATS Stage 2A.</p> <p>(d) Concern shared by Mr Tommy CHEUNG and Ms Emily LAU about the mechanism to trigger the review of the cost recovery rates during the 10-year period.</p> <p>(e) The Administration's explanation that if, at any time during the 10-year period, the sewage services operating accounts showed that the 80% cost recovery target had been exceeded or was projected to be exceeded in the following year, it would seek the views of the EA Panel on how the application of the polluter-pays principle should continue to be manifested.</p> <p>(f) On the concern of Ms Emily LAU and the Chairman about the chronology of</p>	

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		<p>activities/work related to the site earmarked for HATS Stage 2B, the Administration's explanation that internal discussions among relevant bureaux/departments had been held since the identification of the site in 2004. The planning and land-use study of Stage 2B was expected to complete by end 2008 and the review of the timing for the implementation of Stage 2B would start in about April 2010.</p> <p>(g) The Administration's confirmation that subject to the support of the Subcommittee to its proposal to amend the SC(A) Regulation, the Administration would give an undertaking on the review mechanism when moving the proposed amendments at the Council meeting.</p> <p>(h) In response to Mr LEE Wing-tat's concern about resolving the land use issues to ensure timely implementation of HATS Stage 2B, the Administration's response that it was liaising with the relevant bureaux with a view to resolving the issues involved in co-use of the site before the review of the timing of Stage 2B in 2011.</p> <p>(i) Ms Miriam LAU's remark that notwithstanding LP</p>	

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		<p>Members' view that the SC increases should be deferred to 2009, they were prepared to accept the Administration's revised proposal to defer the implementation of SC increases to 1 April 2008.</p> <p>(j) Ir Dr Raymond HO's support for the Administration's revised proposal.</p> <p>(k) Mr Tommy CHEUNG's strong view against the implementation of SC increments over a 10-year period through a single item of legislation. His view that the blanket approval, once given, would enable the Administration to collect additional SC revenue even when no new sewage services projects were implemented.</p> <p>(l) The Administration's reiteration that it would not recover cost in excess/in advance of the costs incurred upon commissioning of projects, nor would the proposed SC increments result in cost recovery in excess of the 80% target rate.</p> <p>(m) Mr Tommy CHEUNG's strong view that the Administration should not seek approval for SC increases before the community could benefit from improvements in water quality through commissioning of new</p>	

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		sewage services projects.	
023820 –030047	Mr Andrew LEUNG Chairman Ms Miriam LAU Administration Ir Dr Raymond HO Mr Tommy CHEUNG	(a) Ms Miriam LAU's support for the cost recovery for sewage services under the polluter-pays principle and her request for the Administration to monitor closely the implementation schedules of major sewage services projects. (b) Ir Dr Raymond HO's view that the review mechanism proposed by the Administration was fair and would provide LegCo with continued oversight on the cost-efficiency of sewage services. (c) On the Chairman's enquiry about the factors and thresholds to be taken into account in the review of the timing of HATS Stage 2B in 2010-2011, the Administration's response that while it was committed to implementing Stage 2B, the timing for its implementation would hinge on various factors relevant to the project design such as population growth, water quality, development in treatment technologies and the availability of site for the biological treatment plant. (d) In response to the concern of Mr Tommy CHEUNG and Ms Miriam LAU for clear criteria on project delay, the Administration's undertaking that it would seek the view of the EA	The Administration to provide the review mechanism in paragraph 3 of the minutes to the Subcommittee in writing.

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		Panel if a major project was delayed for more than one year.	
030048 – 030335	Mr WONG Kwok-hing Chairman Mr WONG Yung-kan Chairman Administration Ir Dr Raymond HO Ms Emily LAU	<p>Members' indication of their position on the Administration revised proposal to implement the scheduled SC increases specified in SC(A) Regulation on 1 April 2008 as follow</p> <p>(a) Mr Andrew LEUNG and Ms Miriam LAU expressed support on behalf of LP Members.</p> <p>(b) Mr Tommy CHEUNG maintained his view that the SC increases should be further deferred and indicated that he might move amendment to the SC(A) Regulation to that effect.</p> <p>(c) Mr WONG Yung-kan indicated support of Members of the Democratic Alliance for the Betterment and Progress of Hong Kong.</p> <p>(d) Ir Dr Raymond HO gave support to the revised proposal on behalf of Members of the Alliance.</p> <p>(e) Mr WONG Kwok-hing, Ms Emily LAU and Miss TAM Heung-man also expressed their support.</p>	The Administration to take action as requested in paragraph 5 of the minutes.
030336 –032229	Chairman Administration Mr Tommy CHEUNG ALA2 Ms Miriam LAU	<p>Clause-by-clause examination</p> <p><u>Sewage Services (Sewage Charge) (Amendment) Regulation 2007</u></p>	

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		<p>The Administration's advice that the dates specified in clause 2(b) and Part 1 of Schedule 1 would be amended in accordance with the Administration's revised proposal for SC increases to start on 1 April 2008.</p> <p><u>Sewage Services (Trade Effluent Surcharge) (Amendment) Regulation 2007</u></p> <p>Members raised no query.</p> <p><u>Technical Memorandum on Procedures and Methods for Sampling and Analysis of Trade Effluents</u></p> <p>Members noted and agreed with the proposed textual amendments in paragraphs 3.3.6, 3.4.4, 3.6.2, 3.6.4, 5.1.3, 6.2.2, 6.5.3 and 6.5.5 of the Chinese version of the TM.</p>	<p>The Administration to take action as required in paragraph 6 of the minutes.</p>
032230 – 032454	<p>Chairman Mr Tommy CHEUNG Ms Emily LAU Ms Miriam LAU</p>	<p>Dates for the Subcommittee to report to the House Committee and for giving notice of amendments to the subsidiary legislation.</p>	