Subcommittee on Improving Air Quality

List of follow-up actions arising from the discussion at the meeting on 16 April 2009

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- (1) To include in the "Baseline emissions in 2006" in Appendix II to Annex B the percentage of total emission reduced as a result of the full implementation of the Phase I control measures.
- (2) To consider ploughing back the medical savings as a result of improved air quality to cover the anticipated increase in electricity tariff and bus fare arising from the increased use of natural gas for power generation and replacement of franchised buses respectively, such that these increases will not be passed onto consumers.
- (3) To consider imposing penalty on service providers who insist to use more polluting production methods despite the availability of cleaner options.
- (4) To advise the implementation plan for the first two Phase I control measures, and whether incentives would be offered to encourage participation of the service providers and the public.

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- (5) To advise the distribution of exceedances in Attachment 1 over a year and the effect of meteorological factors in this respect.
- (6) To advise whether Attachment 1 has been worked out using air pollution indices from general monitoring stations and if so, this may not be able to truly reflect the impacts of air pollution on people who have to work long hours at road side.
- (7) To compare Attachment 2 with a city similar to Hong Kong.

Others

(8) To provide a written response to the joint submission from four academics from the Department of Community Medicine, HKU regarding the Consultant's preliminary findings of the Air Quality Objectives Review. To also arrange a meeting with the academics concerned with a view to narrowing any discrepancies.

- (9) To optimize the benefit of the one-off grant of \$3.2 billion for early replacement of pre-Euro and Euro I diesel commercial vehicles, consideration should be given to extending the scheme to franchised buses and other types of vehicles, including motorcycles.
- (10) To advise the emission performance of the latest model of diesel private car and petrol car.

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