Panel on Environmental Affairs

List of outstanding items for discussion (position as at 9 December 2008)

Proposed timing for discussion

1. Government efforts in addressing climate change

To follow up the motion on "Responding to the problem of climate change", which was carried at the Council meeting on 28 November 2007. The Administration also to update the Panel on measures announced in Chief Executive's Policy Address to promote low carbon economy.

To be taken up by the Subcommittee on Improving Air Quality

2. Land contamination policy

Pending the outcome of the legal pursuits arising from the decommissioning of the Cheoy Lee Shipyard, the Administration is requested to report to the Panel on the progress of the formation of a land contamination policy.

The Administration to provide a progress report no later than December 2008

3. Banning idling vehicles with running engines

(Suggest inviting the Transport Panel members to join the meeting since the proposal would affect the transport sector.)

15 January 2009 (special meeting)

4. 4357DS - Sewage Interception Scheme in Kowloon City

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Full upgrade of the sewerage item to Category A.

5. 805TH - Retrofitting of noise barriers on Fanling Highway (MTR Fanling Station to Wo Hing Road) 807TH - Retrofitting of noise barriers on Fanling Highway (Po Shek Wu Road to MTR Fanling Station)

21 January 2009

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Upgrade of two noise barrier retrofitting projects at Fanling Highway to Category A.

6. Banning of commercial fishing in marine parks

21 January 2009

Proposed timing for discussion

7. Update on measures to improve air quality and To be taken up by the proposed New Air Quality Objectives for Hong Kong

Subcommittee on Improving Air Quality

The Administration to brief the Panel on the emission reduction targets under the Pearl River Delta Regional Air Quality Management Plan beyond 2010 and progress of review of Hong Kong's Air Quality Objectives.

8. 4274DS - Yuen Long and Kam Tin sewerage stage 3

February 2009

Part upgrade of the sewerage item to Category A.

9. Establishing a geological park in the eastern part of the New Territories

February 2009

To follow up the motion on "Establishing a geological park in the eastern part of the New Territories", which was carried at the Council meeting on 20 December 2007.

Proactively promoting waste recovery and recycling as **10.** well as developing environmental industries to create job opportunities

February 2009

To follow up the motion on "Developing environmental industries to create job opportunities" and on "Proactively promoting waste recovery and recycling", which were carried at the Council meetings on 4 July 2007 and 2 July 2008. Consideration should also be given to introducing a licensing system for waste recyclers.

4235DS - Yuen Long and Kam Tin sewerage and 11. sewage disposal

March 2009

Part upgrade of the sewerage item to Category A.

5233DS - Sludge Treatment Facilities 12.

March 2009

To upgrade the item to Category A to fund the "Design, Build and Operate" contract of the project.

Proposed timing for discussion

13. Mandatory Implementation of the Building Energy Codes

March 2009

14. Update on the progress of the key initiatives in the "Policy Framework for the Management of Municipal Solid Waste (2005-2014)"

March/April 2009

15. 4236DS - Tai Po sewage treatment works, stage 5 phase 2B

April 2009

Full upgrade of the sewerage item to Category A.

16. 4346DS - Upgrading of Tuen Mun sewerage, phase 1

May 2009

Part upgrade of the sewerage item to Category A.

17. 4353DS - Outlying Islands sewerage, stage 2 - upgrading of Mui Wo Village sewerage phase 2 and Mui Wo sewage treatment works

June 2009

Part upgrade of the sewerage item to Category A.

18. Reusing surplus public fill in reclamation projects in The **the Mainland** prov

The Administration to provide a paper on the latest progress within the first quarter of 2009

Following the signing of the cooperation agreement quarter of 2009 between the Administration and the State Oceanic Administration in March 2004, which has provided a foundation for the accommodation of public fill in Mainland waters, the Administration has been requested to report to the Panel on the progress of the scheme, particularly on the cost incurred from the delivery of the surplus public fill to the Mainland.

19. Update on management of construction and demolition waste

Second quarter of 2009

Members particularly wish to be briefed on the progress of measures to deter flytipping.

Proposed timing for discussion

20. Measures to strengthen the control of emissions from petrol and Liquefied Petroleum Gas vehicles

(Suggest inviting the Transport Panel members to join the meeting since the proposal would affect the transport sector.)

To be confirmed (The item was originally scheduled for discussion in January 2009)

To be confirmed

21. Cleaner motor vehicle fuel

(Suggest inviting the Transport Panel members to join the meeting since the proposal would affect the transport sector.)

22. Excessive glare from advertisement boards

Subject to the findings of a study to be conducted

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