

**Bills Committee on Product Eco-responsibility (Amendment) Bill 2013**

**List of follow-up actions arising from the meeting on 22 October 2013**

The Administration is requested –

- (a) to consider amending the drafting style of the proposed sections 1(1)(d) and 1(3) in Schedule 2 so that the exceptions proposed in section 1(1)(d) and the exceptions to these exceptions which are provided under 1(3) can be merged into one provision;
- (b) to consider the need for the proposed section 1(3)(a) in Schedule 2, as it appears that the scope of the proposed section 1(3)(b) may have already included the said section 1(3)(a);
- (c) to consider making provision(s) to allow an exemption for plastic shopping bags ("PSBs") provided by a seller which contain an item of "temperature-controlled food", i.e. food which will change its physical state due to temperature difference in the course of its conveyance and something may spill out of the packaging despite that such packaging may have already rendered no part of the food being exposed to the environment (such as butter); and
- (d) to consider, given that the term "specifically designed" in the proposed section 1(4)(a) in Schedule 2 is not defined, whether a PSB to which the PSB charge applies pursuant to the proposed section 1(3) in the Schedule would nonetheless, under section 1(4)(a), be considered as a PSB specifically designed for containing the goods merely because the PSB provided by a seller is a bag which is used for the specific types of goods that it sells.