

**Panel on Environmental Affairs**

**Subcommittee on Issues Relating to Air, Noise and Light Pollution**

**List of follow-up actions arising from the discussion  
at the meeting on 29 January 2013**

At the meeting on 29 January 2013, the Administration was requested to provide the following information for members' reference –

- (a) the process involved in designating Pearl River Delta ("PRD") waters as an Emission Control Area ("ECA") under the International Maritime Organization, and the current progress made by the Administration in pursuing the proposal of designating PRD waters as an ECA with the Central People's Government;
- (b) a paper to explain the adoption of a "direct reference approach" in introducing legislative amendments for incorporating the latest International Maritime Organization standards into the relevant local legislation;
- (c) a paper to explain the application of the Ringelmann Chart in conducting dark-smoke visual surveys of vessels navigating in Hong Kong waters, and the progress made by the Administration in setting an objective standard for determining dark-smoke emissions from vessels by making reference to the Ringelmann Chart (paragraph 3.39 of Chapter 2 of the Director of Audit's Report No. 59 refers); and
- (d) the feasibility of installing on-shore power facilities in other existing cruise terminals, apart from the new cruise terminal in Kai Tak.

2. The Administration was also requested to consult the Subcommittee on the policy objectives of the legislative proposals to mandate ocean-going vessels to switch to cleaner fuels while berthing in Hong Kong waters.