Legislative Council Panel on Environmental Affairs Response from the Administration to a Question Raised at the Meeting on 6 October 2014

Question **Administration's Response** The Administration to The Government has been conducting advise whether it will stringent gate-keeping work over the procurement of fuels for electricity generation consider diversifying by the power companies. the sources of supply We have been encouraging the power companies to adopt gas for of natural various measures to help mitigate the impact power generation in Hong Kong. of fuel cost on electricity tariff. We support diversification of fuel sources. For natural gas supply, apart from importation through China's Second West-East Natural Gas Pipeline, the two power companies are also importing gas from Australia, Qatar and South China Sea for electricity generation. We would continue to assess any gas supply proposals from power companies having regard to relevant factors that would have implications reliability, safety. for environmental performance and affordability of electricity supply.

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