

**Subcommittee on Road Traffic Ordinance
(Amendment of Schedule 10) Order 2015**

**List of follow-up actions arising from the discussion
at the meeting on 3 June 2015**

1. The Administration is requested to provide written responses to address the concerns/views raised by members as follows —

Requirement to pass the emission test

- (a) difficulties for vehicle owners to ensure the emission problems of their vehicles can be rectified timely (e.g. due to a long waiting time for vehicle repair services or delivery of replacement parts) in order to pass a emission test within the prescribed period of 12 working days upon receipt of a emission testing notice issued by the Environmental Protection Department if their vehicles have been caught emitting excessively by roadside remote sensing system;
- (b) measures to address the concern about the cost burden on vehicle owners if their vehicles need to be re-tested after repair because the emission problems have not been fixed, including whether the Government would consider exempting these vehicle owners from payment of the re-testing fees;

Emission test fee level

- (c) the higher emission test fee for light diesel vehicles than that for heavy diesel vehicles as proposed under the Order is unfair to light diesel vehicle owners;

Operation of Designated Vehicle Emission Testing Centres ("DVETCs")

- (d) sustainability of DVETCs in view of the decreasing number of smoky vehicles as a result of strengthened emission control measures implemented by the Government (e.g. phasing out of pre-Euro IV diesel commercial vehicles) and hence fewer vehicles to be required to undergo emission tests at DVETCs in the long run;

- (e) the Government should consider providing emission test services, as well as earmarking spaces at public facilities (such as car park facilities for heavy vehicles) under planning for lease to DVETC operators at affordable rental levels, with a view to enhancing the sustainability of their operations; and
- (f) measures to help the vehicle repair trade to improve their skills for rectifying problems of smoky vehicles to pass the emission test, with a view to minimizing re-testing after repair.

2. The Administration is requested to provide the following information —

- (a) types of emission test services provided by the 12 DVETCs in 2005 and the six DVETCs at present, with indication on the number of DVETCs in operation during the specified periods;
- (b) the number of smoky vehicles served with emission testing notices and emission tests performed by DVETCs in the past year (with breakdown by vehicle types); and in view that only two DVETCs are currently in operation, assessment of whether the number and capacity of DVETCs can cope with the demand for emission test services for different types of vehicles; and
- (c) the number of emission tests that smoky vehicles have to undergo on average upon each emission testing notice served, with breakdown by vehicle types.