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By E-mail

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Legislative Council Complex,
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Dear Ms Shek,

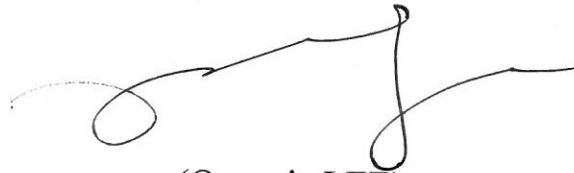
**Panel on Environmental Affairs
Follow-up to the Meeting on 26 June 2017**

At the meeting of the Legislative Council (LegCo) Panel on Environmental Affairs on 26 June 2017, a motion was passed under agenda item IV on "Hong Kong's Climate Action Plan 2030+". Our response is provided below.

The Government entered into the post-2018 Scheme of Control Agreements (SCAs) with the two power companies in April 2017 and promotion of renewable energy (RE) will be a key focus of the new SCAs. Among other measures, Feed-in Tariff (FiT) will be introduced in the next SCA period to encourage the private sector and the community to consider investing in distributed RE as the power generated could be sold at a rate higher than the normal electricity tariff rate to cover the cost of their investments in the RE systems and those of generation. The power companies will also facilitate and improve the distributed RE connection arrangements.

We are now discussing with the power companies details of the various schemes and programmes under the new SCAs, including the FiT scheme with a view to launching the FiT scheme as soon as practicable during the next SCA period. For the setting of FiT rate(s) in particular, we will take into account factors including the cost of investments in the distributed RE systems and those of generation, the attractiveness of the rate(s) in providing sufficient incentives to encourage the private sector and the community to consider investing in distributed RE, as well as the tariff impact. We plan to consult the Energy Advisory Committee on the details of the FiT scheme and report to the LegCo once ready in 2018.

Yours sincerely,

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(Queenie LEE)

for Secretary for the Environment