Annual Work Report of the Energy Advisory Committee for the period from 1 January 2009 to 31 December 2009

I. <u>Terms of Reference of Energy Advisory Committee</u>

The Energy Advisory Committee (EnAC) is a non-statutory committee set up in July 1996 to advise the Government on energy policy, including policy matters concerning energy supply and demand, energy conservation and efficiency, and other related matters referred to it by the Government.

II. <u>Membership of EnAC</u>

EnAC is chaired by a non-official and comprises non-official members representing different sectors of the community and official members from relevant policy bureaux and department. The Chairman and members are appointed by the Secretary for the Environment. The membership of EnAC in 2009 is as follows –

Chairman

Mr Edmund LEUNG Kwong-ho, SBS, JP

Members (in alphabetical order) Ms Vivien CHAN, BBS, JP Ms Cecilia Daisy CHEN Sheau-ling, BBS, MH, JP Mrs Lina CHENG TANG Ho-kuen Prof Larry CHOW Chuen-ho Mr Raymond CHOY Wai-shek, MH, JP Prof Richard HO Yan-ki Dr Ronnie HUI Ka-wah, JP Hon Starry LEE Wai-king Mr Alvin LEUNG Heung-ying Mr Brian David LI Man-bun Prof Bernard Vincent LIM Wan-fung, JP Mr Kenneth LUN Chi-leung Dr MAN Chi-sum, JP Mr NG King-wah Mr WONG Wai-ho Mr Stephen YAU How-boa, BBS, MH, JP Ms Sylvia YAU Siu-fee, JP Mr Donald YIP Moon-tong

Permanent Secretary for the Environment / Director of Environmental Protection *or representative* Director of Electrical and Mechanical Services *or representative*

Secretary

Principal Assistant Secretary for the Environment (Energy)

- III. <u>Major Items for Discussion / Information at EnAC Meetings held</u> <u>during the period from 1 January to 31 December 2009</u>
- (1) Meeting on 31 March 2009

Major Item for Discussion / Information -

(a) <u>Information and Consultation Agreement with the Hong</u> <u>Kong and China Gas Company Limited</u>

The Hong Kong and China Gas Company Limited (Towngas) briefed the Committee on the extension of the Information and Consultation Agreement signed between the Government and Towngas for a period of three years with effect from 3 April 2009. The discussion touched on topics including -

- (i) the utilization of liquefied natural gas and landfill gas for town gas production; and
- (ii) the operation and performance of Towngas.

(2) <u>Meeting on 8 July 2009</u>

Major Items for Discussion / Information -

(a) <u>Second Phase of the Mandatory Energy Efficiency Labelling</u>

Scheme

The Administration briefed the Committee on the proposed second phase of the mandatory energy efficiency labelling scheme (MEELS). The discussion touched on topics including –

- (i) the implementation of the initial phase of MEELS;
- (ii) the coverage of the second phase; and
- (iii) the phasing out of energy inefficient products.
- (b) <u>Promoting the use of electric vehicles</u>

The Administration briefed the Committee on the progress in promoting the use of electric vehicles in Hong Kong. The discussion touched on topics including –

- (i) the rapid development of related technologies;
- (ii) the environmental benefits of using electric vehicles; and
- (iii) incentives to promote the wider use of electric vehicles in Hong Kong.
- (3) <u>Meeting on 22 September 2009</u>

Major Items for Discussion / Information -

(a) <u>Nuclear Electricity Supply from Daya Bay</u>

The CLP Power Hong Kong Limited and Castle Peak Power Company Limited briefed the Committee on the extension of nuclear electricity supply from Daya Bay to Hong Kong till 2034. The discussion touched on topics including –

- (i) the nuclear purchase price in the extension;
- (ii) electricity supply reliability; and
- (iii) nuclear safety.
- (b) <u>Review of Air Quality Objectives</u>

The Administration briefed the Committee on the proposals

to update the Air Quality Objectives (AQOs) and the proposed emission control measures for attaining the AQOs. The discussion touched on topics including –

- (i) the costs and benefits of the proposed emission control measures; and
- (ii) the cooperation with the Mainland on improving air quality.
- (4) <u>Meeting on 8 December 2009</u>

Major Items for Discussion / Information -

- (a) <u>Electricity Tariff for 2010</u>
- (i) <u>Presentation by the Hongkong Electric Company Limited</u>
- (ii) <u>Presentation by CLP Power Hong Kong Limited and Castle</u> <u>Peak Power Company Limited</u>

The two power companies briefed members on their respective electricity tariff proposals for 2010. The proposals were subsequently presented to the Panel on Economic Development of the Legislative Council on the same day.

Secretariat, Energy Advisory Committee March 2010