## 23rd batch of applications approved under Pilot Green Transport Fund

The Environmental Protection Department (EPD) today (August 30) announced its approval of the 23rd batch of applications for the trials of green innovative transport technologies under the Pilot Green Transport Fund.

The 11 newly approved applications are for the trials of 16 electric light goods vehicles (van type) involving a total subsidy of about \$3.3 million. The applications were from:

Chan Foon Kee
Chun Tat Motor Limited
Cinpek Engineering Limited
Ferrari Logistics (Asia) Limited
Hong Kong Telecommunications (HKT) Limited
Hong Kong Wastewater Treatment Plant Management Company Limited
Kam Po Engineering Company Limited
New Creat Auto Engineering Co Limited
Pan Kee Engineering Co Limited
Rise Deal Limited
Wing Ming (Car Rental) Company Limited

The latest approval brings the total number of trials being pursued under the Fund to 135 for testing three electric taxis, three electric light buses, 21 single-deck electric buses, 72 electric light goods vehicles (van type), one electric medium goods vehicle (tractor), 48 hybrid light goods vehicles (non-van type), 28 hybrid medium goods vehicles, 11 hybrid public light buses, two single-deck hybrid buses, one solar air-conditioning system for a bus, four electric inverter air-conditioning systems for buses, three diesel-electric propulsion systems for ferries and one seawater scrubber for a ferry, amounting to a total subsidy of about \$138 million.

At present, 97 approvals under the Fund are already on trial. Sixty-seven of them have completed the trials, involving three electric taxis, eight single-deck electric buses, 42 electric light goods vehicles (van type), 25 hybrid light goods vehicles (non-van type), 14 hybrid medium goods vehicles, five hybrid public light buses, one solar air-conditioning system for a bus, one electric inverter air-conditioning system for a bus, one diesel-electric propulsion system for a ferry and one seawater scrubber for a ferry have completed their trials. The EPD will continue to upload the interim and final reports once completed to the Fund's website for public information.

The Government put in place the \$300 million Fund in March 2011 to subsidise the testing of green innovative transport technologies. The Fund is open for applications from public transport operators, charitable and non-profit-making organisations providing services to clients, and goods vehicle operators. The technologies for trial include alternative-fueled vehicles,

conversion of in-use conventional vehicles to alternative-fueled vehicles, and after-treatment emission reduction devices or fuel saving devices related to transport activities. Transport operators may apply for the Fund to try out different green innovative products subject to a maximum subsidy of \$9 million for each application and \$12 million in total.

For more information on the Fund and the approved applications, please visit the EPD's website (<a href="www.epd.gov.hk">www.epd.gov.hk</a>) or call the enquiry hotline on 2824 0022.