

33rd batch of applications approved for trials of green innovative transport technologies under New Energy Transport Fund

The Environmental Protection Department (EPD) today (October 12) announced its approval of the 33rd batch of applications for the trials of green innovative transport technologies under the New Energy Transport Fund (the Fund).

The 10 newly approved applications are for the trials of 22 electric light goods vehicles and one electric motorcycle, involving a total subsidy of about \$5.96 million. The applications are from:

Delivery Hero Food Hong Kong Limited
Far East Water & Electrical Engineering Co
Fuk Ming Decoration Works
Hung Fung Transportation Limited
Million Join Limited
Pan Kee Construction Limited
Pat Chun International, Limited
Quality Driver Training Centre Limited
S. F. Express (Hong Kong) Limited
Tai Shing Hong Company Limited

The latest approval brings the total number of trials being pursued under the Fund to 229 for testing 173 electric light goods vehicles, 19 single-deck electric buses, five double-deck electric buses, three electric light buses, three electric taxis, five electric medium goods vehicles (tractor), seven electric motorcycles, 47 hybrid light goods vehicles, 27 hybrid medium goods vehicles, 26 hybrid 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 \$184 million.

At present, 153 approved trials under the Fund are already on trial. One hundred and eighteen of them have completed the trials, involving 67 electric light goods vehicles, 10 single-deck electric buses, three electric taxis, three electric light buses, 47 hybrid light goods vehicles, 27 hybrid medium goods vehicles, 10 hybrid light buses, two single-deck hybrid buses, one solar air-conditioning system for a bus, four electric inverter air-

conditioning systems for buses, one diesel-electric propulsion system for a ferry and one seawater scrubber for a ferry. The EPD will continue to upload the trial reports once completed to the Fund's website for public information.

The Government has put in place the Fund since March 2011 to subsidise the testing and encourage more wide use of green innovative transport technologies to a variety of commercial transport tools including goods vehicles (including special purpose vehicles), taxis, light buses, buses, vessels, motorcycles, non-road vehicles (applicable to vehicle models approved by the Transport Department or the Airport Authority Hong Kong), or the aforesaid transport tools of charitable/non-profit making organisations providing services to their clients.

The Fund is open for applications from transport operators and charitable/non-profit making organisations providing transport services to clients. The technologies to be subsidised include new energy vehicles or vessels, conversion of in-use conventional vehicles or vessels to new energy vehicles or vessels, and after-treatment emission reduction devices or fuel saving devices applicable to vehicles and vessels. Transport operators and charitable/non-profit making organisations may apply for trying out different green innovative technology products subject to a maximum subsidy of \$10 million for each application and a total of \$12 million for each applicant.

For more information on the Fund and the approved applications, please visit the website of the Fund (www.epd.gov.hk/epd/english/environmentinhk/air/prob_solutions/new-energy-transport-fund.html) or call the enquiry hotline on 2824 0022.