

Electrical and Mechanical Services Department requests CLP Power Hong Kong Limited to submit report on power supply incident in Tsing Yi

There was a power supply incident in Tsing Yi at around 9.38am today (January 7). According to the information provided by CLP Power Hong Kong Limited (CLP), a fault occurred in the underground cable at On Mei House, Cheung On Estate, affecting 388 customers. The power supply was fully restored at 11.04am. CLP is arranging the repair of the concerned cable.

A stable and safe power supply is crucial to the public and Hong Kong. The Government has requested CLP to immediately launch a comprehensive review of its power supply system and carry out preventive inspections and maintenance arrangements to ensure that the incident will not happen again. The Electrical and Mechanical Services Department (EMSD) will have a meeting with CLP tomorrow (January 8) to follow up in detail and report to the Environment and Ecology Bureau (EEB). The EEB will also review whether there are areas where the Government can strengthen monitoring to improve the performance of the power companies.

Subsequent to the incident, the EMSD has immediately sent staff to the site to investigate the cause of the incident and whether there was any explosion, followed up with CLP on the development of the incident, and monitored the progress of repair work. The EMSD has also requested CLP to identify the cause of the incident and submit a detailed report on the incident within two weeks. The EMSD will continue to closely follow up with CLP and urge CLP to take appropriate follow up and improvement measures. In view of the recent power incidents, the EMSD will step up inspections of the facilities and operations of CLP to monitor their technical and electrical safety performance.

According to the Electricity Ordinance (Cap. 406) (the Ordinance), the EMSD monitors the operation of the power companies to ensure a safe and reliable supply of electricity in Hong Kong. The Ordinance stipulates the powers and obligations of electricity suppliers, including, in the case of an electrical accident, providing the Director of Electrical and Mechanical Services a report of the cause and what remedial action has been, or will be done, to prevent a recurrence of the accident. The EMSD has been maintaining close communication with the power companies and conducts regular meetings to discuss the safety of the power supply facilities.

Red flag hoisted at Clear Water Bay Second Beach

Attention TV/radio announcers:

Please broadcast the following as soon as possible:

Here is an item of interest to swimmers.

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department announced today (January 7) that due to big waves, the red flag has been hoisted at Clear Water Bay Second Beach in Sai Kung District. Beachgoers are advised not to swim at the beach.

Liquor Licensing Board to meet on Tuesday

The following is issued on behalf of the Liquor Licensing Board:

The Liquor Licensing Board will meet on Tuesday (January 9) to consider an application for renewal of a liquor licence.

The application is:

Kowloon:

"Sit Anywhere Noodles and Barbecue" in Ngau Chi Wan

The meeting will be held at 9.45am in the conference room, Room 102, 1/F, 258 Queen's Road East, Wan Chai. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

Fatal traffic accident in Pat Heung

Police are investigating a fatal traffic accident in Pat Heung yesterday (January 6) in which a 77-year-old woman died.

At 1.36pm, a medium goods vehicle (MGV) linked with a container trailer

driven by a 54-year-old non-ethnic Chinese man was turning left to Kam Sheung Road from a warehouse in Shui Tsan Tin, it reportedly knocked down the woman. After the impact, the MGV left the scene.

Sustaining leg injuries, the woman was rushed to Tuen Mun Hospital in conscious state and was certified dead at 3.43pm.

The driver later returned to scene and was arrested for dangerous driving causing death, failing to stop after an accident and failing to report after an accident. He is being detained for enquiries.

Investigation by the Special Investigation Team one of Traffic, New Territories North is underway.

Anyone who witnessed the accident or has any information to offer is urged to contact the investigating officers on 3661 3800.

Police strongly condemn the irresponsible driving behaviour of the driver. It not only jeopardises the safety of other road users and threatens ones' personal safety, but is also the actual cause of serious traffic accidents. Police do not tolerate such acts and will take resolute enforcement action.

Red flag hoisted at Silverstrand Beach

Attention TV/radio announcers:

Please broadcast the following as soon as possible:

Here is an item of interest to swimmers.

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department announced today (January 7) that due to big waves, the red flag has been hoisted at Silverstrand Beach in Sai Kung District. Beachgoers are advised not to swim at the beach.