

27th batch of applications approved under Pilot Green Transport Fund

The Environmental Protection Department (EPD) today (December 13) announced its approval of the 27th batch of applications for the trials of green innovative transport technologies under the Pilot Green Transport Fund.

The 20 newly approved applications are for the trials of nine hybrid public light buses and 17 electric light goods vehicles and involve a total subsidy of about \$8.5 million. The applications were from:

Amanic Engineering Limited
Bassey Holdings Limited
Century Transportation Limited
Chan Siu Ying
Chung An Company
Double Winner Corporation Limited
Four Season Restaurant
Goden Par Co
Green 3 Limited
Hoi Ying Company
Hong Kong Youth Hostels Association
Hung Kay
Kin Yip Electrical Limited
Ma Shui Hing
Merry Dragon Limited
Profile Workshop
Rent A Truck Limited
Tong Kee Engineering Limited
Top Billion (Asia) Limited
Vast Profit Construction Engineering Limited

The latest approval brings the total number of trials being pursued under the Fund to 183 for testing 128 electric light goods vehicles, 21 single-deck electric buses, three electric light buses, three electric taxis, one electric medium goods vehicle (tractor), 48 hybrid light goods vehicles, 27 hybrid medium goods vehicles, 20 hybrid public light buses, two single-deck hybrid buses, one solar air-conditioning system for bus, four electric inverter air conditioning systems for buses, three diesel-electric propulsion systems for ferries and one seawater scrubber for ferry, amounting to a total subsidy of about \$154 million.

At present, 121 approvals under the Fund are already on trial. Eighty-three of them have completed the trials, involving 50 electric light goods vehicles, nine single-deck electric buses, three electric taxis, three electric light buses, 30 hybrid light goods vehicles, 19 hybrid medium goods vehicles, five hybrid public light buses, one solar air-conditioning system for bus, four electric inverter air-conditioning systems for buses, one diesel-electric propulsion system for ferry and one seawater scrubber for

ferry. The EPD will continue to upload the interim and final reports once completed to the Fund's website for public information.

The Government has put in place the \$300 million Fund since 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-fuelled vehicles, conversion of in-use conventional vehicles to alternative-fuelled 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 website (www.epd.gov.hk) or call the enquiry hotline on 2824 0022.