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CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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Question:

Regarding the increase in the number of LPG filling stations approved, the Electrical and Mechanical Services Department indicated that it was due to the conversion of petrol filling station to petrol cum LPG filling station and modification of existing LPG filling stations. What are the reasons for and details of the modification as well as the expenditure involved?

Asked by: Hon YICK Chi-ming, Frankie (LegCo internal reference no.: 42)

Reply:

To further optimise the use of available sites for providing LPG filling services, the Government has since 2011 stipulated in the tender conditions of petrol filling station sites (including new sites and existing sites that are to be re-tendered upon expiry of their current leases) that operators shall provide LPG filling nozzles at a number of not less than 25% of the total number of petrol/diesel/LPG nozzles at the station, subject to safety requirements being met.

Of the 5 petrol cum LPG filling stations which are expected to be approved in 2019, 4 have to undergo conversion or modification works for compliance with the requirements of the above tender conditions. Details are as follows:

Address	Details
99 Castle Peak Road, Kwai	Modification work to be carried out
Chung	
698-704 Castle Peak Road, Kwai	Modification work in progress
Chung	
30A, San Tak Street, Tuen Mun	Conversion to petrol cum LPG filling station in
	progress
338 Tai Po Road, Sham Shui Po	Conversion to petrol cum LPG filling station
	completed in January 2019

As for the LPG filling station which is located at the junction of Kam Sheung Road and Pat Heung Road, Yuen Long, modification work will be carried out to complement the road widening work.

Law enforcement work in connection with LPG vehicles and filling stations is undertaken by a team of engineers and inspectors from the Electrical and Mechanical Services Department. Their responsibilities cover a wide range of duties related to LPG vehicles and filling stations, including overseeing the LPG filling network, supporting the infrastructure of LPG vehicles, and conducting law enforcement work related to the revalidation of LPG vehicle fuel tanks, etc. We do not have a breakdown of the estimated expenditure for the approval of LPG filling stations.