

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

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Department

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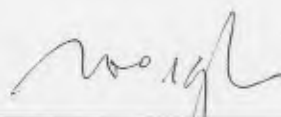
Question: In 2008-09, the Electrical and Mechanical Services Department (EMSD) will commence studies on the long-term market structure for the electricity market. Please provide details of the concerned studies. How long will the studies take? What is the amount of expenditures involved?

Asked by: Hon. KWONG Chi-kin

Reply:

EMSD will provide technical support to the Environment Bureau (ENB) to conduct the studies on the long-term market structure for the electricity market. It is expected that the studies will take about two years to complete. As the officers providing the technical support to ENB also handle other duties concurrently, it is not possible to separately itemise the expenditure for each task.

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