

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
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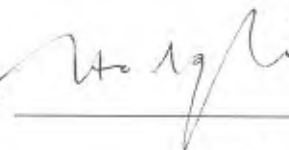
Question: What resources have the Administration put into the promotion of the application of the voluntary Energy Efficiency Labelling Scheme (EELS) in 2008-09 and how about the resources to be dedicated for continuation of such promotion in 2009-10? Is there any plan to increase the coverage of appliances under the voluntary EELS?

Asked by: Hon. CHAN Hak-kan

Reply:

The voluntary EELS has now covered 19 types of appliances. The manpower deployed to manage the voluntary EELS in 2008-09 and 2009-10 includes one Senior Engineer, one Engineer/Assistant Engineer and one Assistant Electrical Inspector. The direct expenditure for preparing publicity and promotional materials for the voluntary EELS was \$40,000 in 2008-09 and the estimated expenditure in 2009-10 would be about the same. In 2009-10, the Department will continue to encourage more importers and suppliers to join the voluntary EELS and to raise the public awareness on the energy labels through various promotional activities, such as distribution of posters and pamphlets, campaigns and talks to trade members and schools. The Department will continue to monitor the international development and local situations and review our need to introduce new types of appliances.

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