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27 November 2019

To:

All Specified Persons of Room Air Conditioners, Washing Machines, Televisions, Storage Type Electric Water Heaters and Induction Cookers

Dear Sir/Madam,

### **Circular No. 1/2019**

### **Mandatory Energy Efficiency Labelling Scheme Phase 3**

### **Method to Attach Energy Labels for Room Air Conditioners, Washing Machines, Televisions, Storage Type Electric Water Heaters and Induction Cookers**

#### Purpose

This Circular specifies the method to attach energy label after the transitional period of the third phase of the Mandatory Energy Efficiency Labelling Scheme ("MEELS") for reverse cycle type room air conditioners (i.e. with cooling and heating functions), washing machines (with rated washing capacity over 7 kg but not exceeding 10 kg), televisions, storage type electric water heaters and induction cookers.

#### Effective Date

2. This Circular takes effect on 27 November 2019.

#### Background

3. To further facilitate the public in choosing energy efficient appliances and raise public

awareness on energy saving, the Government has introduced the third phase of MEELS through the Energy Efficiency (Labelling of Products) Ordinance, Cap. 598 (the "Ordinance"), extending the coverage of products to include televisions, storage type electric water heaters and induction cookers, and expanding the scope of room air-conditioners to include those with heating function, and washing machines with rated washing capacity over 7 kg but not exceeding 10 kg ("Phase 3 prescribed products").

4. The third phase of MEELS commenced from 1 June 2018 with a transitional period (grace period) of 18 months. Upon the end of grace period, from 1 December 2019 onwards, Energy Labels shall be attached to the prescribed products in accordance with Schedule 2 of the Ordinance, for supply in Hong Kong.

5. Due to the recent market situation, there were requests from the trade to attach Energy Label on the product's packaging for existing stock of the Phase 3 prescribed products instead of attach it on the product. To facilitate the trade to display the Energy Labels on Phase 3 prescribed products which have already imported into Hong Kong and contained in packaging, all suppliers may consider the arrangement as stipulated in paragraphs 6 to 9 below.

#### Method to Attach Energy Label for Prescribed Products Contained in Packaging

6. If it is proved that on or before the date of this Circular, the Phase 3 prescribed products contained in packaging had been manufactured in or imported into Hong Kong, the Energy Label can be attached in a prominent and clearly visible position of the packaging.

7. The specified person shall inform EMSD the particulars of such Phase 3 prescribed products before they are supplied to consumers by submitting a specified form (Annex A). These Phase 3 prescribed products shall not be supplied in Hong Kong before the product information is submitted to EMSD. Submission of the Annex A in batches to suit the stock taking is acceptable. The information shall be submitted to EMSD on or before 31 December 2019.

8. However, consumers should be clearly informed in advance the energy efficiency and performance characteristics of such Phase 3 prescribed products when purchasing. For display units to be exhibited at retail outlets, the Energy Labels should be attached in a prominent and clearly visible position of the display units.

9. For all Phase 3 prescribed products manufactured in or imported into Hong Kong on or after 28 November 2019, Energy Labels shall be attached to the products in accordance with Schedule 2 of the Ordinance, for supply in Hong Kong.

Enquiry

10. Should you have any enquiries, please feel free to contact our Mr. M. T. AU at 3757 6163 or Mr. C. Y. SHUM at 2808 3295.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Barry K. M. CHU', with a stylized flourish at the end.

( Barry K. M. CHU )

for Director of Electrical and Mechanical Services

**Reply Form** <sup>Note 1</sup>

**Mandatory Energy Efficiency Labelling Scheme (MEELS) Circular No. 1/2019**  
**Phase 3 prescribed products manufactured in or imported into Hong Kong**  
**on or before 27 November 2019**

<b>Product Type</b> <sup>Note 2</sup> 1) Room Air Conditioner <sup>Note 3</sup> 2) Washing Machine <sup>Note 4</sup> 3) Television 4) Storage Type Electric Water Heater 5) Induction Cooker	<b>Brand</b>	<b>Model</b>	<b>MEELS Reference Number</b>	<b>Product Serial Number</b>
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*Note: 1. Please return by fax (2890 6081) or by email ([meels@emsd.gov.hk](mailto:meels@emsd.gov.hk)) on or before 31 December 2019.*

*2. Please delete as appropriate.*

*3. Only applicable to air conditioners with heating and cooling functions.*

*4. Only applicable to washing machines with rated washing capacity over 7 kg but not exceeding 10 kg.*

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