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Question: The estimated number of liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) filling stations to be approved in 2009 is three, which is higher than one number of LPG filling station approved in 2008 and two in 2007. What is the reason for the difference?

Asked by: Hon. EU Yuet-mee, Audrey

Reply:

To make refilling more convenient for LPG vehicles, the Administration has a standing policy since 2000 to include LPG filling facility requirement in land sales for new petrol filling stations, subject to safety requirements being met. The difference in the respective numbers of LPG filling stations approved in 2007, 2008, and 2009 is due to variance in the availability schedule of new LPG filling stations from year to year.

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