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Young Power Programme Students Provide Creative Solutions to Tackle Climate Change

After six weeks of activity-based learning of the power industry and the business and environmental challenges presented by climate change, 50 students from 10 secondary schools have come up with novel ideas to tackle climate change. They successfully presented their creative plans to a panel of distinguished judges at the Project Competition and Graduation Ceremony held at Science Museum today, to complete this year's Young Power Programme (YPP), co-organised by CLP Power Hong Kong Limited (CLP) and Junior Achievement Hong Kong (JA),

Solid models of solutions, filled with vision and creativity, have won commendations from the audience and, more notably, from the judging panel that includes community and environmental leaders:

- Mr Paul Poon, Director Power Systems, CLP Power
- Mr T F Chow, Director Marketing and Customer Services, CLP Power
- Ms Vivian Lau, Chief Executive Officer, Junior Achievement Hong Kong
- Mr Edmund Leung Kwong Ho, JP, Chairman, Energy Advisory Committee
- Dr Ng Cho Nam, Member, Advisory Council on the Environment
- Prof Alexis Lau Kai Hon, Manager, Environmental Central Facility, Hong Kong University of Science & Technology

The winning teams of Young Power Programme 2008 are:

- Young Power Award Champion: Fung Kai Liu Man Shek Tong Secondary School
- Young Power Award First runner-up: St. Catherine's School For Girls, Kwun Tong
- Young Power Award Second runner-up: Christian Alliance Cheng Wing Gee College
- Power Quiz Champion: Fung Kai Liu Man Shek Tong Secondary School
- Best Booth in the Eyes of the Audience: Lok Sin Tong Yu Kan Hing Secondary School Fung Kai Liu Man Shek Tong Secondary School proposed to achieve energy self—sufficiency by the year 2050. Their innovative home model which combined the concept of new energy sources and energy saving has won them the championship, beating nine other teams. They will have a chance to visit CLP's latest power station in Guangxi, China, to learn about how the advanced super–critical technology help conventional power generation achieve high efficiency; and hence, lower carbon emissions.

YPP is specially designed to allow senior secondary students to develop their creativity, teamwork, leadership skills, and sense of social responsibility with a view to facilitating their choice of academic pursuit.

With the guidance from 20 CLP engineers who served as mentors, the students not only learned about engineering as a professional discipline and its application to the power business, but also received coaching and support for an understanding of social and environmental responsibility that is becoming an important part of career planning. To allow the public to share their visions and further extend the important message of tackling climate change, winning models of the Young Power Awards will be displayed at Hong Kong Science Museum from mid December 2008 to mid February 2009.

About CLP Power

CLP Power Hong Kong Limited is the largest electric utility in Hong Kong serving the business and domestic community in Kowloon, the New Territories, Lantau and most of the outlying islands. Operating a vertically integrated electricity generation, transmission and distribution business, CLP Power provides a highly reliable supply of electricity and excellent customer services to over 5.5 million people in its supply area.

About JA

JA is a registered charitable organisation which is dedicated to inspiring and preparing young people to succeed in a global economy. In partnership with the business and education communities, JA encourages young people to participate in a range of activity-based education programmes, designed to help them understand the world of work and develop the entrepreneurial thinking, financial literacy, career aspiration and other life-wide values essential for their future success.

The Junior Achievement worldwide network now serves over eight million students a year in over 110 countries. Since its establishment in 2001, JA has engaged the support of over 5,000 business volunteers to serve over 48,000 students. Please visit www.jahk.org for more information.



Fifty students from ten secondary schools have successfully completed the six-week Young Power Programme. Twenty CLP engineers who acted as their mentors and the judging panel shared their joy at the graduation ceremony. (Second row, from left: Prof Alexis Lau Kai Hon, Manager, Environmental Central Facility, Hong Kong University of Science & Technology;

Dr Ng Cho Nam, Member, Advisory Council on the Environment; Mr TF Chow, Director – Marketing and Customer Services, CLP Power; Ms Vivian Lau, CEO of Junior Achievement Hong Kong; Mr Paul Poon, Director – Power Systems of CLP Power, and Mr Edmund Leung Kwong Ho, JP, Chairman, Energy Advisory Committee).



At the graduation ceremony, representatives from the organisers shared the happiness with all winning teams, namely the Champion Fung Kai Liu Man Shek Tong Secondary School, the first runner-up St. Catherine's School For Girls, Kwun Tong, the second runner-up Christian Alliance Cheng Wing Gee College, and the Best Booth in the Eyes of the Audience winner Lok Sin Tong Yu Kan Hing Secondary School.

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