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CLP Recorded Cuts in Key Emissions in 2008 Progressing towards 2010 Emissions Reduction Targets

CLP today reported a significant reduction in emissions from its Hong Kong operations in 2008 compared to 2007. The improvements underpin progress the company is making towards meeting the 2010 emissions reduction targets that are jointly set by HKSAR and Guangdong governments for improving air quality in the Pearl River Delta region.

In 2008, emissions of Sulphur Dioxide (SO₂), Nitrogen Oxide (NO_x), particulates from CLP's Hong Kong operations fell by 30%, 21% and 16% respectively as compared to performance reported in 2007. The better performance can be attributed to increased gas consumption, plant improvement and continued use of ultra low sulphur coal over conventional coal.

"It is encouraging to note there have been reductions ranging from 70% to 80% across all emittants from Hong Kong operations over the past 18 years, notwithstanding an 80% increase in electricity demand over the period. The track record is a result of increasing use of cleaner fuels such as natural gas and nuclear, the application of the available emissions reduction technology, increased use of ultra low sulphur coal and management drive towards energy efficiency in our operations," said Lo Pak-cheong, Commercial Director, CLP Power.

"Looking forward, further optimizing our fuel mix and completing the emissions reduction projects are important factors enabling us to meet 2010 emissions reduction targets," he continued.

The Emission Control project undergoing in Castle Peak "B" Power Station has been progressing at full speed with over 1,500 construction workers on-site striving to meet the tight schedule. The signing of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between HKSAR and Central People's Government that assures long term supply of natural gas and nuclear power to Hong Kong is also crucial for CLP to maintain its supply reliability and further reduce emissions in the long run.

Full report will be available on the CLP Sustainability Report 2008 (www.clpgroup.com/Sustainability) which will be published on 12 March on CLP website.

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.

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