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CLP Shares First-hand Electric Vehicle Driving Experience with LegCo Members

CLP Power Hong Kong Limited (CLP) today invited members of the Panel on Environmental Affairs of the Legislative Council (LegCo), together with CLP senior management, to experience first-hand the driving of electric vehicle (EV), with an aim to enhance community awareness of the environmental benefits and on-the-road performance of EV.

For the first time, the Legco members drove the EVs for a total of 10 km starting from CLP Centenary Building at Jordan to West Kowloon Highway, going past Tai Kok Tsui and heading back to Jordan. During the 20-minute drive, they experienced the advantages of EVs which are characterised by extra quietness of the vehicles, quick acceleration, and effective performance in tackling various road conditions such as highway, slope and roundabout, that is comparable to a conventional petrol-powered vehicle.

Since the pilot driving of the latest generation of EVs in March, CLP has accumulated significant mileage to draw preliminary conclusion of EV performance and practical driving tips for use by the driving community.

Mr. Richard Lancaster, Managing Director of CLP Power said during today's EV Ride and Drive event, "I am pleased to have members of the Legislative Council today to experience with us the pleasure of EV green driving. Through this meaningful sharing, we hope to raise public awareness of the environmental benefits of EV, and at the same time enhance the understanding of EV performance."

Apart from the gradual introduction of four more new EVs by the end of this year, CLP has just launched a staff weekend-drive programme which allows CLP staff to try out the EV driving experience. The programme will enable CLP to broaden the data bank of EV driving, so as to help us further develop a robust EV charging infrastructure that meets the need of general drivers.

"CLP shares the Government's vision for a cleaner, greener Hong Kong. We see EVs have real potentials to turn this vision into reality. CLP will continue to take a leading role in promoting the wider adoption of EVs in Hong Kong as part of our efforts to implement our Energy Vision for a long-term and sustainable development of our community," said Mr. Lancaster.

About CLP

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 5.7 million people in its supply area.

Outside Hong Kong, CLP Holdings also invests in energy businesses in Mainland China, Australia, India and Southeast Asia. It is the largest external investor in the Chinese mainland electricity industry, and a leading international private sector power company in the Asia Pacific region with a diversified portfolio of power generation from gas, coal, renewables and nuclear.

CLP is listed in the Global Dow – a 150-stock index of the world's leading blue-chips, the Dow Jones Sustainability Asia Pacific Index (DJSI Asia Pacific), and the Dow Jones Sustainability Asia Pacific 40 Index (DJSI Asia Pacific 40).



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Mr. Richard Lancaster, CLP Power Managing Director explained the operating conditions and shared the driving tips of EV to The Hon Audrey Eu Yuet-mee, Chairlady of the LegCo Panel on Environmental Affairs.



CLP has 10 EVs of the latest generation in its fleet and its staff will be able to enjoy the driving pleasure of EV through the newly launched staff weekend-drive programme.



Mr Richard Lancaster, CLP Power Managing Director (third from left) and Mr Paul Poon, CLP Power Chief Operating Officer (fourth from right) hoped that public awareness of the environmental benefits of EV could be raised as a result of this EV Ride and Drive event. From left are LegCo member of the Panel on Environmental Affairs: Prof Hon Patrick Lau Sau-shing, Ir Dr Hon Raymond Ho Chung-tai, Chairlady The Hon Audrey Eu Yuet-mee (fourth from left), Deputy Chairman The Hon Chan Hak-kan (fifth from left), The Hon Miriam Lau Kin-yee (third from right), The Hon Jeffrey Lam Kin-fung (second from right) and The Hon Chan Kin-por (first from right).

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