



Press Release

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CLP and St. James' Settlement Jointly Launch the Hong-Kong-First Transformer Maze

CLP Power Hong Kong Limited (CLP) and St. James' Settlement (SJS) jointly launched the city's first Transformer Maze today at Discovery Park Shopping Centre (DP) in Tsuen Wan. The Maze was created from around 10,000 disused transformers and power adaptors collected from the public and other channels through CLP, SJS and DP over a four-month period.

CLP partnered with SJS on the 'Here WEEE go' programme since 2010. It features CLP Volunteers collecting and donating "Wasted Electrical & Electronic Equipment (WEEE)" to needy families. We also promote recycling concept to over two million residential customers through our bill message.

In 2012, CLP, SJS and DP further enrich this very meaningful programme by raising the awareness of the recycling of transformers and power adaptors. In 2011 alone, some 10,000,000 transformers were discarded in Hong Kong¹. That means, on average each resident in Hong Kong discarded about 1.5 transformers. This not only will add extra burden to the already overloaded landfill, the non-degradable heavy metals and other components contained will also pose risk to the environment.

To help raise awareness of this issue, we have prepared communication material to the targeted residential complexes managed by Hong Yip Service Company Ltd and Discovery Park, to customers visited our Customer Service Centres and to all CLP staff. Collection points were also set up to collect transformers and power adaptors for recycling purpose.

Speaking at the ceremony, Mr Richard Lancaster, Managing Director of CLP Power said, "Care for the Environment' and 'Care for the Community' are deeply ingrained in CLP corporate value. We believe that introducing the recycling and energy efficiency concepts in an interactive and interesting manner through this Transformer Maze will help raising awareness of green recycling and environmental protection to the public."

"It is praiseworthy that CLP has given its full support to this community waste recovery project over the past two years. The collection of transformers is a brand new concept which should be widely promoted amongst the community. Our heartfelt thanks also go to the CLP Volunteer Team which has provided strong contribution to this campaign." said Mrs Cynthia Luk, Chief Executive Officer, St. James' Settlement.

Today's opening ceremony was officiated by Mr Richard Lancaster, Managing Director of CLP Power Hong Kong, Dr Lo Wai-kwok, Legislative Councillor (Engineering Functional Constituency), Mr Chan Iu Seng, SBS, JP, Chairman of Tsuen Wan District Council and Mrs Cynthia Luk, Chief Executive Officer, St James' Settlement.





The city's first Transformer Maze will be opened to the public on 6 October 2012 (3:30 – 7:30pm) and 7 October 2012 (12:00 – 7:30pm). In addition to interesting fact on green recycling and energy efficiency, visitors will also learn about the dismantling process of the disused transformers and how the decomposed parts can come to meaningful use. They can also join a green energy quiz as they tour around the Maze.

About Here WEEE Go 2011

CLP and SJS's 'Here WEEE Go' programme is a large scale corporate WEEE recycling partnership programme in Hong Kong. SJS has been running this programme since 2003. From 2010, CLP Power has been collaborating with SJS by deploying its volunteer team as well as a network of corporate contacts to help deliver repaired discarded electrical appliances to the underprivileged. Since then, a total of around 1,900 appliances have been collected and saved from landfills. Since 2010, CLP volunteers have devoted over 1,300 hours to this meaningful cause.

About CLP Power Hong Kong Limited

CLP Power Hong Kong Limited ("CLP Power") is the Hong Kong utility subsidiary wholly owned by CLP Holdings Limited, a company listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange and one of the largest investor-owned power businesses in Asia. CLP Power operates a vertically integrated electricity supply business in Hong Kong, and provides a highly reliable supply of electricity and excellent customer services to 5.7 million people in its supply area.

About St James' Settlement

Founded in 1949, St. James' Settlement provides diversified services, which include children and youth services, as well as elderly services. In 1987, a multi-service community centre was opened in Wanchai so that the scope of services could be further extended. Today, there are altogether 47 service points scattered around Hong Kong. SJS has about 1,100 staff providing a vast range of high quality welfare services for people of different ages and needs. SJS has been participating in various pioneering projects, especially in environmental protection and community resources utilisation.

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ⁱ Data collection and evaluation carried out by St James' Settlement



All honourable guests (from left to right) including Mr Chan Wai Ming, MH, JP, Chairman of CLP Local Customer Advisory Committee (Tsuen Wan), The Hon Chan Han Pan, Ben, Legislative Councillor (New Territories West), Mr Richard Lancaster, Managing Director of CLP Power Hong Kong, Dr Lo Wai-kwok, Legislative Councillor (Engineering Functional Constituency), Mr Chan Iu Seng, SBS, JP, Chairman of Tsuen Wan District Council and Mrs Cynthia Luk, Chief Executive Officer, St James' Settlement and General Manager, Asset Management, New World Group, jointly unveiled the Hong-Kong-First Transformer Maze.



A group of students pictured with a plate of spaghetti which is made of transformer wires.



All guests joined a guided tour of the Transformer Maze. In addition to interesting fact on green recycling and energy efficiency, they were also introduced the dismantling process of the disused transformers and how the decomposed parts can come to meaningful use.