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CLP Launches Hong Kong's First Liberal Studies Independent Enquiry Studies Competition to Promote Energy and Environmental Education

Committed to providing a highly reliable supply of electricity and quality service, while attaching great importance to the environment, CLP Power Hong Kong Limited (CLP) has organised Hong Kong's first Liberal Studies Independent Enquiry Studies Competition to further encourage students' interest in energy and environment-related issues.

Addressing guests and finalists at the finalists' presentation today, Ms Quince Chong, Chief Corporate Development Officer of CLP Power, said CLP has been striving to increase energy efficiency, resulting in improved generation performance and a more effective distribution network. It has also helped and encouraged customers in energy-saving while implementing a wide range of measures to minimise emissions from power generation. Ms Chong also announced that one-quarter of all secondary schools in Hong Kong had registered for the free e-learning kit launched by CLP aimed at liberal studies students, which has recorded 130,000 page views since its launch in 2011.

CLP's tireless efforts in environmental education underscore its belief that it can use its professional expertise to promote informed public discussion about the sustainable development of Hong Kong and the need to strike a balance between economic development and environmental protection. To further nurture students' interest in energy and environment-related issues, and to inspire them to examine the issue from multiple perspectives, CLP organised the Hong Kong's first Liberal Studies (Energy Technology and the Environment) Independent Enquiry Studies Competition following the inauguration of Hong Kong's first e-learning kit specialising in energy technology two years ago, Ms Chong explained.

Five outstanding works were selected from a total of 128 entries from 34 secondary schools for today's finals of the competition, jointly organised by CLP, the CLP Liberal Studies (IES) Advisory Committee, the Hong Kong Liberal Studies Association, the New Territories West Liberal Studies Professional Network and Sing Tao Daily. The finalists gave their presentations in front of guests and a panel of judges including representatives from the Environmental Bureau, the Education Bureau, the

Electrical and Mechanical Services Department, the Hong Kong Examinations and Assessment Authority and the Hong Kong Institution of Engineers.

Ching Ka-wai, of Chiu Chow Association Secondary School, who evaluated recycling bin usage among residents of the Chung On Estate and Kam Tin Court in Mao On Shan, and Wong Chi-chung, of New Life Schools Incorporation Lui Kwok Pat Fong College, who studied the development of solar power in Hong Kong, shared the first prize for their reports. They impressed the judges with their multiple perspectives on the issue, their concise and smooth articulation, and the creative and interactive features of their presentations.

Ching and Wong were excited about winning the competition. Both said that the keys to producing a successful IES report were to have clear objectives, to set a manageable scope and to work hard with persistence to bring the project to completion.

Judge Liu Ah Chuen, a school principal who is chairman of the CLP Liberal Studies (IES) Advisory Committee and a council member of the Hong Kong Examinations and Assessment Authority, said he was very impressed by the high standard of entries. The competition was an excellent platform for students and teachers to find out more about the relationship between energy technology and the environment, he said.

Two-thirds of the competition's 128 entrants chose environment-related topics such as energy conservation, management of solid waste and environmental pollution, while the remainder focussed on energy technology topics such as the development of renewable energy in Hong Kong and the effects of electronic products on people's lives.

As well as its e-learning kit, LS-energy.hk, CLP has organised a series of seminars and school talks on Energy Technology and the Environment, attracting more than 2,400 students and teachers. CLP will continue to work with its partners and community groups to promote environmental education and to create a greener Hong Kong for future generations.

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Awardees list:

Champion	Ching Ka-wai (Chiu Chow Association Secondary School)	To compare recycle bin usage between the residents of Chung On Estate and Kam Tai Court in Ma On Shan to evaluate the effectiveness of this environmental initiative.
	Wong Chi-chung (New Life Schools Incorporation Lui Kwok Pat Fong College)	To study the development of solar-powered generation in Hong Kong.
Second runner-up	Hung Ka-man (Shung Tak Catholic English College)	To study the effectiveness of current food waste recycling policy based on the participation of food recycling programme.
Merits award	Yim Wai-yee (New Life Schools Incorporation Lui Kwok Pat Fong College)	To study the greater use of renewable energy sources (wind-powered generation) in Hong Kong.
	Tang Yee-lok (Shung Tak Catholic English College)	To study the environmental awareness of Maywood Court residents based on their participation in food waste recycling programme.

* For more details about the Liberal Studies (Energy Technology and the Environment) Independent Enquiry Studies Competition and CLP's LS-energy.hk e-learning kit, please refer to the attached [Fact Sheet](#).

About LS-energy.hk

The e-learning kit LS-energy.hk launched by CLP Power Hong Kong Limited in 2011 and uniquely designed to support the Liberal Studies Independent Enquiry Studies (Energy Technology and the Environment) module, is a comprehensive, free-of-charge independent learning platform targeting senior secondary students and teachers. Apart from giving students comprehensive information on energy technology and the environment, the e-learning kit offers interactive tools and enrichment activities. It also helps teacher to track students' progress with assessment tools.

About CLP Power Hong Kong Limited

CLP Power Hong Kong Limited (CLP) is a 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 operates a vertically integrated electricity supply business in Hong Kong, and provides a highly reliable supply of electricity and excellent customer services to 5.8 million people.

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Photo 1:



Ms Quince Chong, Chief Corporate Development Officer of CLP Power and guests jointly officiated at the launch ceremony of the final competition, to signify a collaborative effort to create a greener environment with energy and technology. Officiating guests (from left to right): Mr. Li Kwok Keung, Assistant Director/Electricity & Energy Efficiency, Electrical & Mechanical Services Department, Mr. Donald Ng, Principal Assistant Secretary for the Environment, Ms Quince Chong, Mr. Liu Ah Chuen, Chairman, CLP Liberal Studies (IES) Advisory Committee, Mr. Ng Siu Kai, Principal Education Officer (Curriculum Development), Education Bureau and Mr. Lo Ka Yiu, Senior Manager – Assessment Development, Hong Kong Examinations and Assessment Authority .

Photo 2:



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First prize winners - Ching Ka-wai and Wong Chi-chung (second and third left), second runner-up - Hung Ka-man (first left) and merits award winners - Yim Wai-yee (first left on the second row) and Tang Yee-lok (first right) were excited about winning the prizes.

Photo 3:



A variety of energy-related exhibits were on display to increase students' knowledge about energy and electricity generation, with a step generator exciting the greatest interest.

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