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CLP Expands Hotmeal Canteen Programme
Develops an Effective Social Safety Net in Community

In partnership with Po Leung Kuk, CLP Power Hong Kong Limited (CLP Power) expands its Hotmeal Canteen service to Kwai Tsing and Kwun Tong areas to provide single and couple elders and needy families nutritious breakfast, lunch and dinner at discounted price. At the opening of the Po Leung Kuk Kwai Chung Family Joy Centre today, CLP Power Chief Corporate Development Officer Ms Quince Chong joined Chairman of Po Leung Kuk Ms Angela Leong, Vice Chairman of Po Leung Kuk Dr Eleanor Kwok and Chairman of Elderly Commission Professor Alfred Chan Cheung-ming to welcome the elderly people and enjoyed a tasty lunch with them at the canteen.

In an affluent society like Hong Kong, a daily hot meal is not a guarantee. CLP Power launched the “Hotmeal Canteen” service in partnership with the Hong Kong Council of Social Service and Baptist Oi Kwan Social Service in 2011. For a nominal fee of \$10, low-income families and out-of-work people in Sham Shui Po area can enjoy a nutritious evening meal. It also offers jobseekers counselling and free health check and exercise classes. In addition to meeting their dietary needs, the Canteen help recipients build self-confidence and establish a social network.

Ageing is a serious problem in Hong Kong. One-third of our elderly people live in poverty. According to Census and Statistics Department’s information, Kwai Tsing and Kwun Tong are two of the top five districts where most of our elderly people live. CLP Power has decided to expand the “Hotmeal Canteen” service to the two districts. By joining hands with Po Leung Kuk, the Canteens provide dietitian-approved nutritious breakfast, lunch and dinner to single and couple elders and needy families at a discounted price of HK\$2 and HK\$10 respectively.

CLP Power Chief Corporate Development Officer Ms Quince Chong said, “Our ‘Hotmeal Canteen’ is more than a canteen. We want to encourage elderly people who otherwise may live a secluded life to come and be part of the community. We recognise the problem of ‘hidden elderly’ in our society and the need to build an effective safety net in the community to help them.” The new Po Leung Kuk Kwai Chung Family Joy Centre is the second self-financed service centre run by Po Leung Kuk. It aims to promote cross-generation harmony and its key service targets are the elderly people, youth and families in Kwai Chung areas. In order to meet

society needs, the Canteen has kicked off its hot meal service in the third quarter of this year – even before the centre was officially launched.

Following the same ideas of Hotmeal Canteen, CLP Power plans to launch a new community care initiative – “Elderly Friday” – in 14 districts in 2015. It will work with District Councils and NGOs to distribute 120,000 coupons for elderly people to enjoy free hot meals at designated fast-food restaurants. The programme plans to invite young people to dine with the elderly people to show them love and care.

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Photo 1



CLP Power Chief Corporate Development Officer Ms Quince Chong (fourth left), Chairman of Po Leung Kuk Ms Angela Leong (third left), Vice Chairman Dr Eleanor Kwok (first left), and Chairman of Elderly Commission Professor Alfred Chan Cheung-ming (second left) enjoy a tasty lunch with the elderly at the Hotmeal Canteen.

Photo 2



CLP Power Chief Corporate Development Officer Ms Quince Chong says the Hotmeal Canteen is more than a canteen. It is where elderly people can feel love and support and be part of the community.

Photo 3



CLP Power Chief Corporate Development Officer Ms Quince Chong (fifth right), Chairman of Po Leung Kuk Ms Angela Leong (sixth left), Vice Chairman of Po Leung Kuk Dr Eleanor Kwok (fifth left) and Chairman of Elderly Commission Professor Alfred Chan Cheung-ming (fourth right) together with other guests officiate at the opening ceremony of Po Leung Kuk Kwai Chung Family Joy Centre and the Hotmeal Canteen service.

Photo 4



The Hotmeal Canteen service at Po Leung Kuk Kwai Chung Family Joy Centre provides nutritious breakfast, lunch and dinner to single and couple elders and needy families in Kwai Tsing area.

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