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CLP Power Pledges HK\$220 Million of Community Support in 2022 Boost Hong Kong Economy and Promote Low-Carbon Living

The COVID-19 outbreak in Hong Kong is easing, but businesses and people across the city are still recovering from the severe impact of the pandemic. In response, CLP Power Hong Kong Limited (CLP Power) today (4 November) announced it is allocating HK\$220 million to support people in different parts of society through the **CLP Community Energy Saving Fund** in 2022. A series of programmes will be launched to encourage people to reduce carbon emissions, re-energise the community, and add momentum to Hong Kong's economic recovery.

CLP Power has set aside HK\$80 million to relaunch a second **CLP Retail and Catering Coupons Programme** in 2022, boosting consumer spending and supporting disadvantaged people by distributing two coupons in a total worth of HK\$100 to nearly 800,000 households, including residential customers with low electricity consumption, elderly customers who qualify for concessionary tariff, and 10,000 tenants of subdivided units. CLP Power first launched the programme in 2021 which received a hugely positive response. In 2022, beneficiaries will be able to use the coupons, which are valid for six months, in more than 2,800 participating retail outlets and restaurants.

Taking into account the impact of COVID-19 pandemic on the grassroots, CLP Power has earmarked HK\$50 million in electricity subsidies through the **CLP Power Connect Programme** in 2022 for 50,000 eligible households, including elderly people, low-income families, disabled people, and 10,000 tenants of subdivided units. A one-off extra subsidy on top of normal subsidies will be given to each household, meaning they will each receive a total of HK\$1,000 in electricity subsidies. In addition, CLP Power will continue to provide subsidies to assist landlords of subdivided units to carry out rewiring works so that individual electricity meters can be installed, improving home safety and tenants' living environment. Separately, CLP Power will provide HK\$2,000 worth of energy-efficient electrical appliances to 7,000 families living in transitional housing to improve energy efficiency at home.

Meanwhile, the newly launched **CLP Save and Cheers Bonus** features a series of new initiatives to provide support to people in need, encourage energy saving, and bring cheer to the community. The new initiatives include:

- HK\$5 million to support students' online learning needs by donating e-learning equipment, such as tablets or laptops and data SIM cards, to about 500 students in need.
- HK\$4.5 million to distribute nutritious food packages to children from underprivileged families referred by non-governmental organisations (NGOs), benefitting a total of around 20,000 children.
- HK\$4.5 million for the Energy Saving & Electrical Safety Education Theatre Programme to enhance knowledge of electricity safety and energy saving among people living in CLP Power's supply area. Around 15,000 people are expected to benefit from attending the shows.
- HK\$2 million for low carbon and green living tours tailored for underprivileged families living in remote areas, giving them the chance to visit different green spots in Hong Kong on CLP Power electric coaches where they can learn about environmental protection and energy efficiency.
- HK\$2 million into designing online games with a theme of energy conservation, through which CLP Power customers can deepen their understanding of environmental protection and energy conservation, and earn points towards a range of rewards.

CLP Power Chief Corporate Development Officer Ms Quince Chong said, "We are launching these community support programmes for 2022 to accelerate the pace of Hong Kong's recovery from the pandemic, promote the low-carbon transformation of society, and care for families in need. At the same time, CLP Power will continue to fully support Government's goal of achieving carbon neutrality by 2050. As well as implementing the transition to low-carbon power generation and reducing the carbon intensity of power generation, we will push ahead with our mission to encourage people to save energy."

As part of its ongoing efforts to promote energy saving and carbon reduction among business customers, CLP Power is allocating HK\$30 million to its **Electrical Equipment Upgrade Scheme** which encourages companies, particularly small and medium-sized enterprises, to replace or upgrade more energy-efficient lighting and air-conditioning equipment. The programme provided subsidies to more than 4,000 industrial and commercial customers in 2021, saving a total of more than 28 gigawatt hours (GWh) of electricity.

The **CLP Retro-Commissioning Charter Programme** launched in 2021 has received enthusiastic support from business customers, and CLP Power is increasing funding for the scheme from HK\$1 million in 2021 to HK\$2 million in 2022. The programme will provide advanced training on retro-commissioning to over 300 energy management employees so

that they can enhance the energy efficiency of their companies' premises. NGOs and schools will continue to receive funding to conduct BEAM Plus assessments.

CLP Power is also giving HK\$1.5 million to continue the **CLP Award for Vocational and Professional Education and Training (VPET) Students**, helping VPET students with financial needs to continue their studies. A total of 75 students enrolled in VPET courses with the Vocational Training Council in the 2022/2023 academic year and recommended by the Council, will each receive a subsidy of HK\$20,000.

Please refer to the fact sheets for programme details.

Fact sheets:

- 1) CLP Retail and Catering Coupons Programme
- 2) <u>CLP Power Connect Programme</u>
- 3) <u>CLP Save and Cheers Bonus</u>
- 4) Assistance for Commercial and Industrial Customers
- 5) Support for VPET Students

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 six million people in its supply area. In 2021, CLP celebrates the 120th anniversary of its founding in Hong Kong with a commitment to continue to move forward with the community based on a shared vision of a better tomorrow.

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CLP Power Chief Corporate Development Officer Ms Quince Chong (Right) and CLP Power Deputy Director of Corporate Customer Experience Mr Lo Kwok Yau introduce various community support programmes to be launched in 2022. The programmes will benefit different sectors of society with a total of around HK\$220 million provided by the CLP Community Energy Saving Fund to encourage people to reduce carbon emissions, reenergise the community, and add momentum to Hong Kong's economic recovery.

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