Annex

Pilot Scheme on Municipal Solid Waste Charging: Operational Details

Implementation Timetable

	Housing Estate	Baseline Survey		Formal Trial	
		Start	End	Start	End
1.	Amoy Gardens	April 23	May 22	May 23	Late October
2.	Island Resort	April 24	May 31	June 1	Late October
3.	Chun Seen Mei Chuen	April 28	May 31	June 1	Late October
4.	The Orchards	May 5	May 31	June 1	Late October
5.	Tak Tin Estate	May 15	June 30	July 1	Late November
6.	Chai Wan Estate	July 1	Late July	Early August	Late December
7.	Kwong Tin Estate	July 1	Late July	Early August	Late December

Operational Details

- <u>"Weight-based by Buildings"</u>: The property management company (PMC) will pay a mock waste charge based on the weight of waste disposed of by the whole building so as to provide incentives to the estate and residents for waste reduction. With reference to the prevailing charging level in Taipei City, the recommended mock charge is \$500 per tonne. The following housing estates will try out this charging mechanism: Amoy Gardens, Chai Wan Estate, Island Resort, Kwong Tin Estate and Tak Tin Estate.
- <u>"Volume-based by Buildings"</u>: The PMC will pay a waste charge based on the volume of waste (in terms of the number of refuse collection bins that have been filled) disposed of by the whole building. With reference to the prevailing charging level in Taipei City, the recommended mock charge is \$66 per bin (with a volume of 660 litres). The following housing estates will try out this charging

mechanism: Amoy Gardens, Chun Seen Mei Chuen, Island Resort, Kwong Tin Estate, Tak Tin Estate and The Orchards.

• "Volume-based by Households": Individual households will purchase designated garbage bags (in three sizes - 5 litre, 10 litre or 15 litre) and use them for waste disposal. With reference to the prevailing charging level in Taipei City, we recommend to price the bags at \$0.1 per litre on average. The following housing estates will try out this charging mechanism: Amoy Gardens, Chai Wan Estate, Island Resort, Kwong Tin Estate and Tak Tin Estate. But taking into account practical circumstances, individual housing estates may devise slightly different charging arrangements in order to dovetail with their daily operation.

Support Services

• The EPD has appointed service contractors to provide the participating estates with the necessary support services. Such services include the enhancement of recycling support within the estates, free supply of designated garbage bags, daily measurement of waste disposal and amount of recyclables, monitoring of compliance within the estates, analysis and compilation of waste disposal statistics and trends of the mock charges, provision of publicity and environmental education as well as carrying out of opinion surveys.