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HKQAA – Hong Kong Cooking Oil Registration Scheme Launching Ceremony cum Pilot Programme Presentation Ceremony

Concern about Cooking Oil Sources Motivating Recycling of Waste Cooking Oil

(15 December 2014, Hong Kong) Hong Kong Quality Assurance Agency (“HKQAA”) today held the “Hong Kong Cooking Oil Registration Scheme” (“the Scheme”) Launching Ceremony cum Pilot Programme Presentation Ceremony at Chiang Chen Studio Theatre, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University. Ms. Christine Loh Kung-wai, JP, Under Secretary for the Environment, and Ms. Vivian Lau Lee-kwan, JP, Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene joined the ceremony as the officiating guests. Twenty-one Confirmation of Registration Letters were presented to more than ten cooking oil suppliers, waste cooking oil collectors and processors. In addition, more than 400 restaurants and outlets under 26 catering and property management companies, committed to becoming “Scheme Companions”, and were recognised for demonstrating their support to the Scheme.

Promoting Proper Maintenance of Cooking Oil and Waste Cooking Oil Records

HKQAA has long been concerned about social development. In response to the needs of catering and recycling industries, we started preparation work on the Scheme last year and launched the pilot programme in July this year. The Scheme aims to facilitate organisations to supply and consume cooking oil from identifiable sources, as well as to collect and treat waste cooking oil in a proper way, through maintenance and verification of adequate and appropriate documents and records. Our ultimate goal is to raise consumer confidence and motivate the industry and public to support recycling of waste cooking oil.

As the first of its kind in the city, the Scheme is on a voluntary basis and open to cooking oil suppliers, waste cooking oil collectors and processors, enabling them to showcase their capabilities for properly maintaining records of cooking oil and waste cooking oil. Upon successful registration, the organisation will receive a Confirmation of Registration Letter and be entitled to use the Registration Mark. The mark can be displayed in its stores, advertisements and printed matter for promotional purposes, enhancing its business partners and consumer confidence and the registered organisation’s reputation. The processed waste cooking oil can be recycled into useful materials such as biodiesel and recycled soap, contributing to a green environment.

Organisations providing catering and property management services can also show their support to the Scheme by becoming the “Scheme Companions” and committing to selecting cooking oil suppliers and waste cooking oil collectors with adequate and appropriate records. They can display the “Scheme Companion” Marks in their restaurants or outlets to manifest their commitments to supporting good industry practices about cooking oil sources and waste

cooking oil recycling; encourage the public to support environmental protection, so as to boost their brand images (Please refer to Appendix I for the applicability of the Scheme).

Presenting 21 Registration Qualifications Recognising Over 400 “Scheme Companions”

Overwhelming responses from the cooking oil industry has been received since the launch of the pilot programme in July 2014. More than 10 organisations obtained 21 registration qualifications. And more than 400 restaurants and outlets under 26 catering and property management organizations have committed to be “Scheme Companions” (Please refer to Appendix II and Appendix III for the full lists of registered organisations and “Scheme Companions”). Those registered organisations and “Scheme Companions” were highly recognised in the today’s ceremony.

“We understand the public concern on sources of cooking oil and treatment of waste cooking oil,” Ir Dr Hon. Lo Wai Kwok, Chairman of HKQAA said. “HKQAA will keep in step with government policies and social development, and communicate closely with stakeholders as well as the industry, to advance the Scheme. We hope the Scheme will turn into a general practice of the industry and uplift its professional standard as a whole, so as to raise the commercial sector and public confidence. Also, we expect it will encourage recycling of waste cooking oil and incorporate the green practice into daily operations of catering industry, motivating everyone to utilise earth resources wisely to build a sustainable world.”



(From left) Ir C. S. Ho, Deputy Chairman of HKQAA; Ms Vivian Lau, Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene; Ir Dr Hon. Lo Wai Kwok, Chairman of HKQAA; Ms Christine Loh, Under Secretary for the Environment; and Dr Michael Lam, CEO of HKQAA, officiate the launching ceremony of the Hong Kong Cooking Oil Registration Scheme.



Ir Dr Hon. Lo Wai Kwok, Chairman of HKQAA, delivers the opening remarks.



Officiating guest, Ms Christine Loh, Under Secretary for the Environment, addresses the ceremony.



Officiating guest, Ms Vivian Lau, Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene, addresses the ceremony.



Officiating guests, governing council members of HKQAA and supporting organisations of the Scheme.



Ir Dr Hon. Lo Wai Kwok, Chairman of HKQAA (right), presents the confirmation of registration letter of the Scheme.



Officiating guests, governing council members of HKQAA, as well as the registered organisations and Scheme Companions.



Dr Michael Lam, CEO of HKQAA, delivers the Vote of Thanks.

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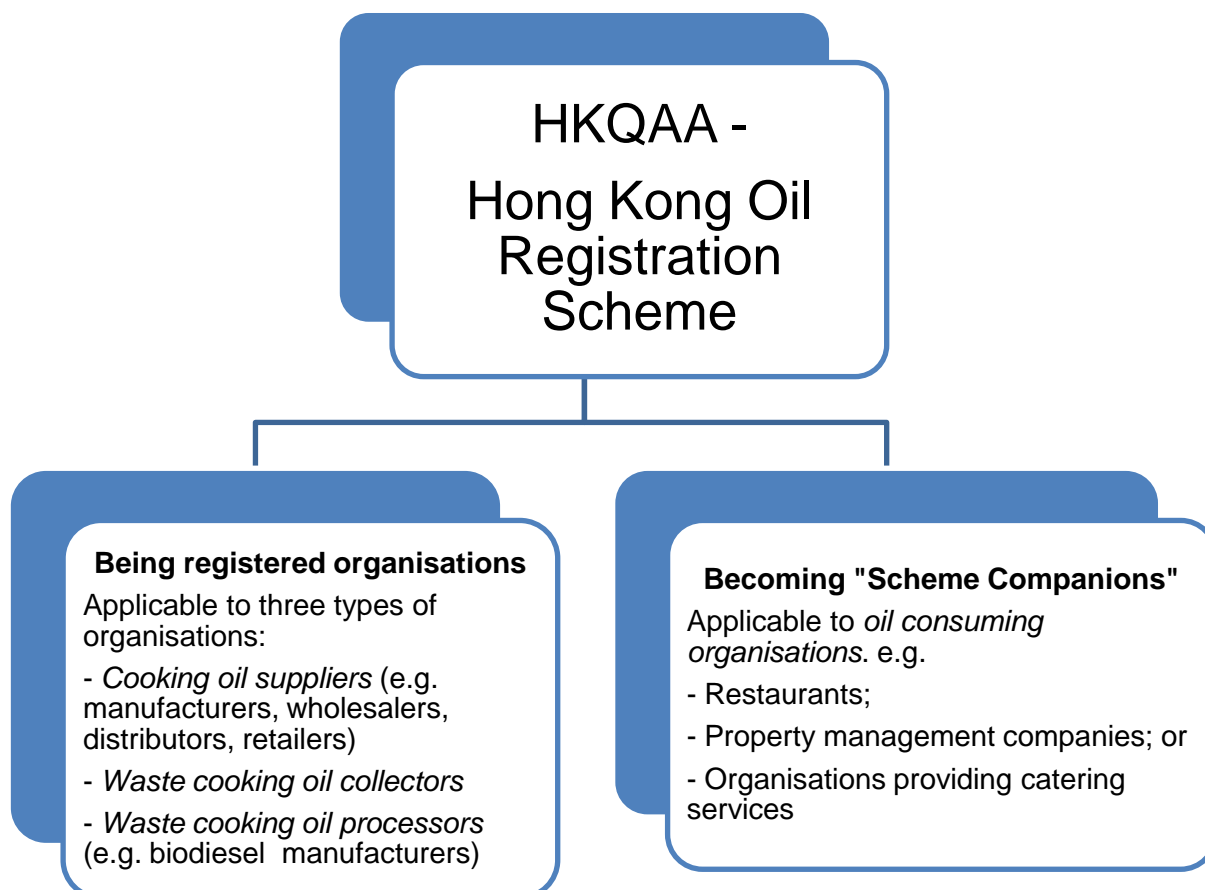
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HKQAA Background

Hong Kong Quality Assurance Agency (HKQAA) is a non-profit organisation established by Hong Kong Government in 1989. As one of the leading conformity organisations in Asia-Pacific region, HKQAA has been committed to providing certification and assessment services. Through knowledge sharing and technology transfer, HKQAA helps enterprises enhance management performance and competitiveness. Apart from introducing world-class management systems to Hong Kong, HKQAA has also developed a wide range of innovative services to cope with increasingly diversified market demands and the growing need for sustainable development, bringing benefits to the community. Please check out <http://www.hkqaa.org> for further information.

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Applicability



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List of Registered Organisations

(As of 15 December 2014)

Cooking Oil Suppliers

- Beidahuang (Hong Kong) Limited
- FM International Resources Limited
- Global Fine Foods Limited
- Global Commerce Corporation Limited
- Hing Wah Lung
- Hop Hing Oil Factory Limited
- Hop Hing Oils & Fats (Hong Kong) Limited
- Lam Soon Products Supply (Hong Kong) Company Limited
- Rich Strong International Limited
- Shing Hing Oil Co Ltd
- Sinogain Food And Oil Limited

Waste Cooking Oil Collectors

- ASB Chun Yip (Hong Kong) Limited
- Asia Biodiesel Recycle Limited
- Champway Technology Limited
- Dynamic Progress International Limited
- Eco Oil Company Limited
- Perfect Green Supplies Company Limited
- Pollution & Protection Services Ltd.

Waste Cooking Oil Processors

- ASB Biodiesel (Hong Kong) Limited
- Champway Technology Limited
- Dynamic Progress International Limited

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List of “Scheme Companions”

(As of 15 December 2014)

- Beppu Menkan Management Limited
- Choi Fook Enterprises (Wedding Banquet) Limited
- Café Deco Limited
- Cool Kitchen Limited
- Eternal Sky Development Limited - Prince Ramen
- Eternal Sky Development Limited - Green Box
- Fantastic Mentor Limited
- Golden New Power Limited - EDOMAE
- Hong Kong Victoria Harbour Catering Group Limited
- Inspires' Group Limited - Golden Traditional Noodles
- Jointed-Heart Limited - Tam's Shop
- K F Food Enterprise Limited - Satay King
- Langham Place Hotel (HK) Limited
- Lippo Catering Management Limited
- Megabox Management Services Limited
- Most Will Limited - Calf Bone King
- Ngan Lung Catering (Holdings) Limited
- Ocean Empire International Limited
- Super Star Group
- Tai Hing Worldwide Development Limited
- Tao Heung Group Limited
- The Dairy Farm Company Limited - IKEA
- The Excelsior Hotel (Hong Kong) Ltd
- Tsing Yi Fu Wah
- Tsui Wah Holdings Limited
- U A Cinema Circuit Limited