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# **BEC Topical Digest**

# Your Views Help Shape Hong Kong's Electricity Market

## Public Consultation on the Future Development of the Electricity Market

The Environment Bureau of the Hong Kong SAR Government launched a three-month "Public Consultation on the Future Development of the Electricity Market" on 31 March 2015. The consultation period will end on 30 June 2015.

#### Your Views Matter!

BEC will make a submission in response to the public consultation by 30 June. All BEC members will be invited to provide comments on the draft BEC submission by early June. Your views will help shape the development of Hong Kong's electricity market.

#### The Consultation

#### **Energy Policy Objectives**

The Scheme of Control Agreements ("SCA"), which govern the way in which the electricity market is regulated in Hong Kong, will expire in 2018. The Government is considering how to further develop the city's electricity market having regard to the following energy policy objectives:





# Future Regulatory Arrangement – Key Areas to be Reviewed

It is noted in the consultation document that the current SCA regime has been generally effective in meeting the four energy policy objectives. Based on the views and comments received during the mid-term review of the SCA in 2013, the Government has identified the following key areas to be reviewed:



# **Future Fuel Mix for Electricity Generation**

The Government received over 86,000 submissions during the consultation on the future fuel mix for electricity generation from March to June 2014. In regard to the two fuel mix options, the majority of the respondents preferred local generation. Having considered the views collected, the Government has proposed the following fuel mix in the current consultation document:

Around 50%: natural gas Around 25%: nuclear

For more details, please click here for the full consultation document.

Around 25%: renewable energy and coal

# **BEC Workshops**

20 April 2015: The UK Experience in Regulating the Electricity Sector

30 April 2015: BEC Policy Dialogue Series – Workshop on Future Development of Hong Kong's Electricity Market

The two workshops provided a platform for members to exchange views and gain insights on the development of Hong Kong's electricity market from the perspectives of the public sector, consumers and power companies respectively. Comments raised at the workshops will be taken into account in formulating BEC's submission to the Government.





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