

Immediate Release

**Commissioning of Northeast New Territories (NENT)
Landfill Gas Utilisation Project**

(25 January 2008) The Commissioning Ceremony of Northeast New Territories (NENT) Landfill Gas Utilisation, a project jointly launched by the Hong Kong and China Gas Company Limited (Towngas), Environmental Protection Department and Far East Landfill Technologies Limited (FELT), was held today.

Towngas and FELT have invested a total of 250 million dollars for the construction of Landfill Gas Treatment Unit at NENT Landfill and a 19km underground pipeline to transmit the treated landfill gas to Tai Po production plant for use as a heating fuel.

Towngas Managing Director Alfred Chan pointed out that NENT Landfill Gas Utilisation Project was a sustainable project which created dual benefits. It can not only cut the emission of greenhouse gases from the landfills, but also reduce the consumption of naphtha at Tai Po plant. It is estimated that we can reduce the consumption of naphtha by 43,000 tonnes annually, and cut the emission of carbon dioxide by 135,000 tonnes, generating a positive environmental impact equivalent to the planting of 3.4 million 10-year-old trees.

Alfred Chan said, “Through a variety of environmental programmes, we hope that we can make greater contribution in protecting the environment in order to promote the sustainable development of the community. Looking forward, we are now endeavouring to seek opportunities to use the landfill gas at other sites for the expansion of landfill gas utilisation project in order to improve air quality in Hong Kong.”

Towngas is always committed to providing safe, reliable and clean energy. In 1999, we were the first organisation in Hong Kong to utilise landfill gas from Shuen Wan Landfill as a fuel for use in the gas production process. We also introduced natural gas as a dual feedstock with naphtha for gas production in 2006 to further reduce the emission of greenhouse gases and help to improve air quality.

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