

Immediate Release

**Winners Share Low Carbon Living Tips at  
“School Carbon Off Action” Competition Prize Presentation Ceremony  
Towngas and Green Power Join Hands to Help Reduce Carbon Emissions**

(15 April 2010) Each individual plays a part in saving the earth. The Hong Kong and China Gas Company Limited (“Towngas”) urges people to realise low carbon living through its “Low Carbon Action!” Campaign launched last year. Towngas sponsored Green Power’s “School Carbon Off Action” Competition to spread the message to primary and secondary schools. The Competition has been concluded and winning schools are invited to share their low carbon living experience at the prize presentation ceremony today.

Tailored for primary and secondary school students, the “School Carbon Off Action” Competition encourages them to realise low carbon living in several areas of their daily activities. By recording carbon emissions daily, students are led to understand that each and every activity can affect the environment. Through this exercise, they are also led to recognise that everybody has the responsibility to redress global warming.

With guidance from teachers and parents, students are to record their low carbon activities regularly in a newly created “Low Carbon Handbook”. Within the two weeks of the Competition, 8,808 students from 66 schools have reduced carbon emissions by 69.96 tonnes, equivalent to the carbon dioxide inhaled by 5,830 trees in a year. Based on these numbers, if they continue low carbon living for one year, they can reduce close to 2,000 tonnes of carbon emissions, a significant boost to improving our environment.

“Students are the future pillars of our society,” said Mr Lo Wing-keung, Chairman of Towngas Environmental Protection Committee. “Therefore, low carbon living should start in schools. By sponsoring Green Power’s “School Carbon Off Action” Competition, Towngas hopes to make carbon reduction hot, encouraging more young people to join low carbon forces and lead green lives. We believe that the environment will improve if we persist with our low carbon living.”

“Through the joint efforts of students, parents and teachers, we are happy to see the good results. The 69.96 tonnes of carbon dioxide reduced equals to the volume of 15 Olympic-size swimming pools. The Competition not only raises the awareness of carbon emissions in our lives, it also creates an opportunity for supporters of low carbon living to come together. We are encouraged by their experience sharing.” said Dr Man Chi Sum, Chief Executive Officer of Green Power.

“During the two weeks, we come to realise that we can easily reduce carbon emissions by paying more attention to the details of our daily activities. Usage of electronic games is an area we have singled out for the Competition. Classmates are invited to play electronic games at one of their homes. Although the game console still runs for two hours (which is the same as before), we are able to reduce carbon emissions significantly by sharing the operation time. I hope we can continue our efforts and to win our families, fellow students and friends over to low carbon living,” said a student of SKH Yat Sau Primary School, winner of the “School Carbon Off Action” Competition.

### Press Photos



Photo 1: Mr Lo Wing-keung, Chairman of Towngas Environmental Working Committee, welcomes students attending the Towngas sponsored “School Carbon Off Action” Competition prize presentation ceremony. Tailored for primary and secondary school students, the programme encourages them to realise low carbon living in several areas of their daily activities and to recognise that everybody has the responsibility to redress global warming.



Photo 2: Dr. Man Chi-sum, Chief Executive Officer of Green Power, delivers a welcome address to students at the Towngas sponsored “School Carbon Off Action” Competition prize presentation ceremony, commending participants on their formidable achievement of reducing 69.96 tonnes of carbon emissions.



Photos 3 & 4: Ms Wong Sau-ying, Towngas Head of Corporate Communications, presents certificates to winning students at the “School Carbon Off Action” Competition prize presentation ceremony and encourages young people to continue low carbon living habits.



Photos 5 & 6: Mr Lo Wing-keung, Chairman of Towngas Environmental Protection Committee, and Dr. Man Chi-sum, Chief Executive Officer of Green Power, officiates at the “School Carbon Off Action” Competition prize presentation ceremony.



Photo 7: At the “School Carbon Off Action” Competition prize presentation ceremony, winners share ways of reducing carbon emissions and vow to continue their efforts.



Photos 8 & 9: The Towngas sponsored “School Carbon Off Action” Competition is an environmental protection campaign targeted at primary and secondary students. Participating students record carbon emissions in their activities in the “Low Carbon Handbook” to understand the impact of their everyday activities.



Photo 10: Winning students and their teacher pictured together with the certificate award at the Towngas sponsored “School Carbon Off Action” Competition prize presentation ceremony. Teachers provide much advice to students during the Competition as they start their meaningful venture in low carbon living.



Photos 11 & 12: Happiness and satisfaction show on the faces of two winners of the “School Carbon Off Action” Competition. During the Competition, students must complete the low carbon diary regularly to monitor their carbon emissions reduction progress.

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