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examining the Estimates of Expenditure 2008-09**

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Question :

When will the Bureau announce the results of its discussions with the two electricity companies on the release of the electricity charge subsidy? Will the Legislative Council be informed of the results before the announcement?

Asked by : Hon. WONG Kwok-hing

Reply :

The Administration plans to seek the views of the Panel on Financial Affairs on the details of the electricity subsidy scheme around May 2008 before taking the proposal to the Finance Committee.

Signature _____

Name in block letters STANLEY YING

Post Title Permanent Secretary for
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Treasury (Treasury)

Date 2.4.2008

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

S-FSTB(Tsy)02

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S025

Head : 106 Miscellaneous Services Subhead 789 Non-recurrent additional
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Programme :

Controlling Officer : Permanent Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury (Treasury)

Director of Bureau : Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury

Question :

Will the Government undertake to do all it can to ensure that the electricity charge subsidy will actually be enjoyed by the bill payers (e.g. tenants who themselves pay or share their electricity bills)?

Asked by : Hon. WONG Kwok-hing

Reply :

The Financial Secretary has proposed a phased injection of \$1,800 into each residential account of the two electricity companies. The purpose is to subsidise the electricity charge under the respective residential accounts. The bureau is now working with the two companies on the implementation details.

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