Environment and Conservation Fund Trustee Report 2002-2003

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Report by the Trustee on the Administration of the Environment and Conservation Fund

This report covers the financial year ending 31 March 2003.

Environment and Conservation Fund (ECF)

- 2. In the 1993 Policy Address to the Legislative Council, the then Governor proposed to set up the ECF for funding education and research activities in relation to environmental and conservation matters.
- 3. The Environment and Conservation Fund Ordinance (the Ordinance), which established the ECF, was enacted in June 1994. An initial capital injection of \$50 million was then approved by the Finance Committee. The ECF came into operation in August 1994. In 1998 and 2002, the Finance Committee further approved \$50 million and \$100 million respectively.

Trustee

4. Section 5 of the Ordinance provides for the Secretary for the Environment, Transport and Works to act as the trustee of the ECF.

ECF Committee and vetting of applications

- 5. The ECF Committee, established in accordance with section 7 of the Ordinance, is to advise the trustee on the use of the ECF for the purposes of funding educational, research and other projects and activities in relation to environmental and conservation matters. The Committee consists of a chairman, not more than eight non-official members appointed by the Chief Executive for a term of two years and four ex-officio members. The membership list is on page 5.
- 6. The ECF Committee has established a Research Projects Vetting Sub-committee to consider research and technology demonstration projects. The Sub-committee comprises ECF Committee members and co-opted members. The membership list of the Research Projects Vetting Sub-committee is on page 6.
- 7. The ECF Committee has entrusted the vetting of educational projects to the Environmental Campaign Committee (ECC). The reason for this arrangement is that the ECF Committee considers that the ECC has developed the expertise for considering such

projects. The membership list of the ECC is on page 7.

- 8. Both the Research Projects Vetting Sub-committee and ECC can approve grants up to \$150,000 for a project. For applications exceeding this limit, the recommendations of the Sub-committee or ECC have to be endorsed by the ECF Committee.
- 9. Another Waste Recovery Projects Vetting Sub-committee has been set up in 2002 to vet community waste recovery project proposals that cost \$500,000 or less. Projects costing over \$500,000 will have to be approved by the ECF Committee. The membership list of the Waste Recovery Projects Vetting Sub-committee is on page 8.
- 10. The Environment, Transport and Works Bureau (ETWB) provides secretariat service to the ECF Committee and Research Projects Vetting Sub-committee, whereas the Environmental Protection Department (EPD) provides the secretariat service to the ECC and Waste Recovery Projects Vetting Sub-committee.
- Applications can be submitted any time using the prescribed application forms, which are available in all district offices, the ETWB, the EPD, the Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department, the Wheelock and Company Limited and Environmental Resource Centres. The Research Projects Vetting Sub-committees and ECC usually meet once every two months to vet applications, whereas the Waste Recovery Projects Vetting Sub-committee meets quarterly. The ECF Committee normally meets quarterly to consider the recommendations of the Sub-committees and ECC.

Criteria for vetting applications

- 12. Applications from non-profit making organisations and community groups will be considered for funding support. Local incorporated companies may apply funding for technology demonstration projects. The following criteria are used in assessing the merits of individual applications:
 - (1) Projects must contribute to the overall environment of Hong Kong, raise environmental awareness of the local community, or mobilise the community to take action to improve the environment. For community waste recovery projects, they must contribute to promoting waste prevention and recovery in Hong Kong, raise awareness of the local community, or mobilise the community to take action in waste reduction, separation and recovery.

- (2) The benefits must accrue to the community, and not just to individuals, a single private organisation or a consortium of private companies.
- (3) Projects must be non-profit making in nature. Income derived from a project should be used to further the project's aims.
- (4) In considering a project proposal, due consideration will be given to:-
 - (a) the benefits that it will bring to Hong Kong's environment, ecology, flora and fauna etc., or the extent to which it will enhance the environmental awareness of local community. For community waste recovery projects, due consideration will be given to the benefits that it will bring to the efforts in promoting waste reduction, separation and recovery in local communities, or the extent to which it will enhance the awareness and mobilize the public to participate in waste separation and recovery:
 - (b) whether there is a demonstrable need for the proposed project;
 - the technical and project management capability of the applicant, as well as the past performance of the applicant, including the effectiveness of past projects, and the applicant's ability to comply with the funding conditions;
 - (d) whether the proposed project's schedule of implementation is well-planned and practicable, and the duration is reasonable;
 - (e) whether the proposed budget is prudent, realistic and cost-effective. with full justification for every expenditure item;
 - (f) whether the proposed project has alternative sources of funding support;
 - (g) whether the proposed project should more appropriately be funded by other sources;
 - (h) whether there is or likely to be a duplication of the work already or currently carried out by other groups; and
 - (i) if recurrent expenditure is incurred, whether the proposed project has potential to become self-sufficient after a certain period of time.

13. Applicants may download application forms and other information, e.g. a list of projects approved under ECF, from the ECF and ECC homepage on the Internet.

Approved applications

14. From 1 April 2002 to 31 March 2003, 215 applications for funding support were considered. Their vetting results are as follows:

(b) applications approved in principle(c) applications being processed	10
(d) applications rejected	45
(e) applications withdrawn by applicants	17
Total:	215

- 15. Of the 140 approved applications, 137 were funded by the ECF alone with a total funding commitment of about \$26.63 million, whereas 3 were jointly funded by the ECF and the Woo Wheelock Green Fund with a funding commitment of about \$1.2 million.
- 16. A list of the approved projects is on pages 9 to 22.

Accounts

17. The balance sheet, the income and expenditure account, statement of changes in equity, cash flow statement and the auditor's report for the period between 1 April 2002 and 31 March 2003 are on pages 23 to 29.

(Dr Sarah Liao Sau-tung, JP)
Secretary for the Environment, Transport and Works
Trustee of the Environment and Conservation Fund
17 October 2003

Environment and Conservation Fund Committee

Membership List

(1 April 2002 - 31 March 2003)

Mr. Peter WOO Kwong-ching, GBS, JP (Chairman)

Ms Linden Jane BIRCH (up to 31 July 2002)

Professor CHAN Chi-ming

Ms CHOY So-yuk (since 1 August 2002)

Mr. Paul FAN Chor-ho, JP

Mr. Edwin LAU Chi-kit

Dr. Eric TSANG Po-keung (up to 31 July 2002)

Dr. John TSE Wing-ling

Dr. TSO WONG Man-yin

Mr. Ronnie WONG Man-chiu, JP

Secretary for the Environment, Transport and Works, or her representative

Secretary for Education and Manpower, or his representative

Director of Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation, or his representative

Director of Environmental Protection, or his representative

Environment and Conservation Fund Committee Research Projects Vetting Sub-committee

Membership List

(1 April 2002 - 31 March 2003)

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Dr. CHAN King-ming (since 1 August 2002)

Ms Yvette CHAN Yuk-lin

Dr. CHIU Sein-tuck

Ms CHOY So-yuk (since 1 August 2002)

Mr. Kenneth KAN Cho-yau

Dr. John LEUNG Kon-chong (since 1 August 2002)

Mr. LIN Chaan-ming

Professor Brian Sydney MORTON, JP

Professor Nora TAM Fung-yee

Dr. Andrew THOMSON (since 1 August 2002)

Dr. Eric TSANG Po-keung

Dr. Jonathan WONG Woon-chung

Mr. Frankie YICK Chi-ming (since 1 August 2002)

Representative from Environment, Transport and Works Bureau

Representative from Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department

Representative from Environmental Protection Department

Environmental Campaign Committee

Membership List

(1 April 2002 - 31 March 2003)

Mr. Ronnie WONG Man-chiu, JP (Chairman)

Mr. Stephen CHAN Chit-kwai, JP

Mrs. Pamela CHAN Wong-shui, BBS, JP (up to 31 December 2002)

Mr. Daniel CHENG Man-chung (since 1 January 2003)

Dr. Simon CHAU Sui-cheong (up to 31 December 2002)

Mr. John FAN Kam-ping, BBS, JP

Professor FONG Wang-fun (up to 31 December 2002)

Ms Maggie KOONG May-kay

Mr. Edwin LAU Che-feng (up to 31 December 2002)

Ms Gorett. LAU Wai-kuen

Ms Elizabeth LAW Kwan-mei

Mr. Joseph LEE Chung-tak, BBS

Mr. Stanley LEE Yat-on (up to 31 December 2002)

Mr. Thomas PANG Cheung-wai

Ms Winnie SEK Wai-yu, Winnie (since 25 April 2002)

Mr. Edward STOKES

Mr. TAM Kwok-kiu, MH

Mr. Raymond TSE Chee-on (up to 31 December 2002)

Mr. Nigel WATT, JP (up to 24 April 2002)

Dr. Eric TSANG Po-keung (since 1 January 2003)

Mr. Henry WU King-cheong, BBS, JP

Professor Shane ZEE Sze-yong

Secretary for the Environment, Transport and Works, or her representative

Secretary for Education and Manpower, or his representative

Secretary for Home Affairs, or his representative

Director of Environmental Protection, or his representative

Director of Health, or his representative

Director of Information Services, or her representative

Environment and Conservation Fund Committee Waste Recovery Projects Vetting Sub-committee

Membership List

(27 November 2002 – 31 March 2003)

Mr. Ronnie WONG Man-chiu, JP (Chairman)

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Representative from Environment, Transport and Works Bureau

Projects Approved under the Environment and Conservation Fund (1 April 2002 to 31 March 2003)

Environmental Research and Technology Demonstration Projects

	Applicant	Project Title	Approved Amount
1.	Hong Kong Baptist University	International Conference on Environmental and Public Health Management	\$24,000.00
2.	The University of Hong Kong		\$148,270.00
3.	The Hong Kong Polytechnic University	Study of an Inspection and Maintenance System for Petrol and LPG Vehicles in Hong Kong Using a Combined Remote Sensing and Chassis Dynamometer System	\$494,100.00
4.	The Hong Kong Polytechnic University	Characterization of Indoor Air Emissions from the Burning of Candles, Mosquito Coils and Incenses	\$434,680.00*
5.	Hong Kong University of Science and Technology	Molecular Characterization and Development of Molecular Probes for Harmful Algal Bloom causing Raphidophyceae from Hong Kong	\$672,000.00*
6.	Hong Kong University of Science and Technology	Feasibility Study for Product Development from Waste Tyres	\$94,500.00*
		Subtotal (I) :	\$1,867,550.00

^{*} Jointly funded by the Environment and Conservation Fund and Woo Wheelock Green Fund on a 50/50 basis.

Environmental Education and Community Action Projects

	Applicant	Project Title	Approved Amount
7.	MKMCF Ma Chan Duen Hey Memorial College	Environment and Conservation Game	\$3,232.20
8.	8	Investigation for the water quality of Victoria Harbour	\$10,212.00
9.	Hong Kong Sam Yuk Secondary School	Escape from the Air-polluted Jungle	\$1,100.00
10.	Lok Wah Catholic Primary School	Primary School Education Programme - Dolphins and Scalions	\$2,000.00
11.	Lok Wah Catholic Primary School	Primary School Education Programme - Marine Parks Educational Activities	
12.		Junior Secondary School Education Programme	\$3,360.00
13.	Chan Shu Kui Memorial School	Above the Clouds	\$11,460.00
14.	Baptist Wing Lung Secondary School	Perspective Nature Education on Bird Watching	\$15,000.00
15.	i	Germination of Environmental Protection Seeds in Tuen Mun	\$16,750.00
16.	Semple Memorial Secondary School	Environmental protection starts with Semple action projects	\$22,650.00
17.	Dr. Catherine F. Woo Memorial School (A.M)	Let's Start Green Life	\$10,400.00
18.		I love green school	\$8,400.00
19.	Baptist Rainbow Primary School (A.M.)	Aromaland	\$14,650.00
20.	Chiu Chow Association Secondary School	Green Life Child	\$20,810.00
21.	······································	Waste Reduction by Yourselves	\$12,458.00
22.	Tuen Mun Catholic Secondary School	Campaign on Waste Reduction & Waste Recycling	\$9,048.00
23.	Pok Oi Hospital Chan Ka Memorial College	Green Life – Wide Learning	\$18,470.00

	Applicant	Project Title	Approved Amount
24.	Po Leung Kuk 1983 Board of Directors' College	Exploring the Beauty of Coast	\$3,176.00
25.	Tai Po Sam Yuk Secondary School	Healthy Life, Happy Life	\$7,560.00
26.	HKCWC Fung Yiu King Memorial Secondary School	T i	\$14,800.00
27.	Ta Ku Ling Ling Ying Public School	Eco-school	\$9,810.00
28.	Diocesan Boys' School	The Green Frontiers	\$3,350.00
29.	Wong Shiu Chi Secondary School	Eco Fiesta	\$9,000.00
30.	Christian Alliance S W Chan Memorial College	Towards a Green School	\$10,470.00
31.	S.R.B.C.E.P.S.A. Lee Yat Ngok Memorial School	Environmental Friendly	\$13,800.00
32.	Cheng Chek Chee Secondary School of Sai Kung and Hang Hau District		\$11,165.00
33.	Baptist Rainbow Primary School (P.M.)	Be a Friend of Environment	\$13,400.00
34.	Sheung Shui Wai Chow Kindergarten	Be close to the nature	\$4,880.00
35.	Elegantic College	Environmental Education in the Secondary Schools and Primary Schools in the Northern District - Sustainable Development in the Northern District	
36.	SKH Li Fook Hing Secondary School	A Learning Tour of Environmental Conservation at Ocean Park 2003	\$8,143.90
37.	Stewards Pooi Tun Secondary School	Environmental Education in the Secondary Schools and Primary Schools in Wong Tai Sin - the Sustainable Development in China and Hong Kong	\$31,440.00
38.	St. Antonius Girls' College	Dolphin Trip	\$6,800.00

	Applicant	Project Title	Approved Amount
39.	Department of Chemistry, Hong Kong Baptist University	Science Symposium (Environmental Chemistry) 2002	\$4,150.00
40.	The Hong Kong University Students' Union Greenwoods	A Series of Environmental	
4].	Hong Kong Baptist University Biology Society	External Annual Academic Exhibition 2003 – The Miracle in Biotechnology: Blessing or Curse?	
42.	Green Student Council	Green ³ Life	\$3,850.00
43.	Riviera Garden Lutheran	Green Generation Environmental Protection Educational Project	\$44,760.00
44.	Hong Kong Y.W.C.A. Ellen Li Multi-Services Centre for the Elderly	Promote the Green Life between the Young and Old	\$30,762.80
45.	C & MA Cheung Hang Social Centre for the Elderly	Back to the Nature 2002	\$25,758.00
46.			\$10,762.00
47.	Hong Kong Federation of Youth Groups Shau Ki Wan Youth Spot		\$10,210.00
48.	Hong Kong Christian Service	Environmental Protection Project of the Earth Lovers - Environmental Protection Ambassadors	;
49.	The Pentecostal Holiness Church Hong Kong	Environmental Protection Public Education Project "Interactive Nature Tour"	f
50.		"Smiling Sun" Environmental Protection Scheme	\$8,060.00
51.	1	Environmental Education Group For the Elderly	\$20,804.00

	Applicant	Project Title	Approved Amount
52.	Caritas Integrated Service for Young People - Stanley	The Green World' Activities	\$8,794.00
53.	Hong Kong WestPoint Baptist Church Elderly Centre	Live a Green Life	\$11,590.00
54.	Stage Professional	Environmental Protection Little Pig	\$40,000.00
55.	Martha Boss Community Centre	City of Green	\$17,650.00
56.	The Hong Kong Federation of Youth Groups Tin Shui Youth S.P.O.T.		\$34,995.00
57.	Jockey Club Wah Ming Lutheran Integrated Service Centre	·	\$61,089.70
58.	DAB Kowloon Central Office	Drawing On Environmental	\$6,181.00
59.	DAB Kowloon Central Office	New Year Recycle Programme	\$18,640.00
60.		Environmental protection - step by step	\$9,691.25
61.	Helping Hand Siu Sai Wan Jockey Club Housing for the Elderly		\$2,708.00
62.	Kwai Chung South Resident Association	Environmental Photo Taking Competition	\$43,250.00
63.	The Hong Kong Bank Foundation Hong Chi Fung Tak Centre & Hong Chi Tung Tau Hostel		\$10,850.00
64.	Asbury Methodist Social Service	Ecological Ranger	\$6,500.00
65.	Tung Wah Group of Hospitals Wing Yin Hostel	Naturalized Intelligence	\$14,614.20
66.		Green Pioneer Training Scheme	\$18,845.00
67.	Footprint	Man and the Nature – to Put Understanding into Practice	\$5,094.00
68.	Vert	Vert competition for Secondary Students	\$15,335.60

	Applicant	Project Title	Approved Amount
69.	Concealed Life	Funny Ocean Celebration	\$40,000.00
70.	Hong Kong Council of Early Childhood Education & Services		\$6,143.90
71.	Ho Chui Multi-Service Centre	"To live in a Greener Life Style - Start With the Elderly and the Youth" Community Project for Environmental Education	\$21,100.00
72.	Hong Kong Women Development Association	Green Living Parental-Child Healthy Project	\$42,790.00
73.	The Hong Kong Federation of Youth Groups Tin Yiu S.P.O.T.		\$16,260.00
74.	Community Services Fund	Environmental Multimedia Game Design Competition, - Rebuild a Beautiful Environmental City	
75.		Protect Water Resources, Duet of Environmental Protection	\$42,058.80
76.	Centre - Family Activity &	Service Project on "Environmental Protection, Giving Our Families Energy."	
77.	Caritas Sau Mau Ping Community Education Centre		\$28,178.00
78.	Sisters of the Good Sheperd - Our Lady's Hostel	Treasure More. Value More	\$2,450.00
79.	C&MA Lei Fook Church Social Centre for the Elderly	Environmental Education Group For	\$22,660.00
80.		Get Joy in Nature and Work out in Daily Life	\$5,814.00
81.	C&MA Cheung Hang Social Centre for the Elderly	Back to Nature 2003	\$16,612.00

	Applicant	Project Title	Approved Amount
82.	Evangelize China Fellowship Shatin Canaan Church Limited	Go Go be an Angel of the Earth	\$10,660.00
83.	The Chinese General Chamber of Commerce	Marine Park Study Tour	\$4,365.00
84.	Employees Unions in Public	Green City - A series of Environmental Education and Community Action Programme	
85.	Hong Kong People Council	Green Consumer Co-operative Project - Phase II of the "Green Community Pilot Scheme"	
86.		Survey of community attitudes to waste reduction and recycling	\$37,500.00
87.	The Conservancy Association	Public Environmental Lecture cum Forum	\$107,800.00
88.	The Conservancy Association	A Visit to the Wetland in Hong Kong – Celebrating the World Wetland Day 2003	
89.	Green Power	Singing Green 2002	\$82,890.00
90.	Green Power	Hong Kong Rivers and Conservation Workshop	***************************************
91.	Green Power	How to Compost	\$99,500.00
92.		Tree and I in Kowloon Park	\$127,700.00
93.	Green Power	Fish Pond Farming in Hong Kong Educational Program	\$106,250.00
94.	World Wide Fund For Nature Hong Kong	Wetland Conservation in Action Phase IV – 'Footprints in a Wetland' CD-ROM Launch and Wetland Environmental Education Teacher Multiplier Programme	\$58,096.40
95.		Oceans for Our Children 2002	\$80,300.00
96.	Tai Po Environmental Association	Conserve Global Reserve - Sustainable Development	\$10,400.00

	Applicant	Project Title	Approved Amount
97.	Tai Po Environmental Association	Hong Kong Egret Festival	\$84,000.00
98.	Tai Po Environmental Association	Green Guide Book to Taipo and Tolo Harbour	\$69,660.00
99.	Produce Green Foundation	Hong Kong Organic School and Community Network	\$90,692.00
		Subtotal (II):	\$2,371,981.65

Community Waste Recovery Projects

3344444	Applicant	Project Title	Approved Amount
100.	North Lantau Citizen	Environmental Protection	
	Association	Education and the Differential of	\$310,056.00
		Waste Recycle Plan to Tung Chung	Ψ210,030.00
	D. P. N. M.	Village	
101.	Democratic Alliance for	Waste Recycling Scheme	
	Betterment of Hong Kong		\$191,725.00
	(Kowloon City Office)		
102.	Fei Tsui District Residents'	Chai Wan District Community	\$388,800.00
	Association	Waste Recovery Project	
103.	Democratic Alliance for	Sham Shui Po Waste Recycling	#140.507.00
	Betterment of Hong Kong	Scheme	\$162,597.00
104.	(Sham Shui Po Office)		
104.	Hung Hom Residents'	Hung Hom Green Economic	*2,
	Association, Hong Kong People Council on Housing Policy	Community Phot Project	\$350,284.00
	Hung Hom Community Services		\$550,204.00
	Centre		
105.	New Youth Cadet	Award Scheme: New Era of	
		Environmental Protection	\$265,752.00
106.	Quarry Bay Residents'	Environmental Protection is Fun	\$200.707.00
	Association		\$209,797.00
107.	Green Power	The Recycling Exchange Square in	\$334,428.00
		Wong Tai Sin (Phase II)	\$334,428.00
108.	Hong Kong Eastern District	"Waste Collecting & Recycling"	
	Environmental Advancement	Environmental Protection	\$398,800.00
	Association		
109.	Tsuen Wan Kwai Ching District	Waste Recycle and Reuse Pilot	\$344,784.00
	Women's Association	Scheme Plan	
110.	New Territories Association of	Enlargement of Village	
	Societies	Environment Protection Education	
		and Village Pilot Waste Separation	\$447,890.00
		and Recycling Programme (Sai	į
		Kung)	

	Applicant	Project Title	Approved Amount
111.	New Territories Association of Societies	Enlargement of Village Environment Protection Education and Village Pilot Waste Separation and Recycling Programme (Tsuen Wan)	\$394,386.00
112.	New Territories Association of Societies	Enlargement of Village Environment Protection Education and Village Pilot Waste Separation and Recycling Programme (Tai Po)	\$340,770.00
113.	New Territories Association of Societies	Enlargement of Village Environment Protection Education and Village Pilot Waste Separation and Recycling Programme (Fanling)	\$435,650.00
114.	New Territories Association of Societies	Enlargement of Village Environment Protection Education and Village Pilot Waste Separation and Recycling Programme (Yuen Long)	\$462,154.00
115.	Caritas Industrial Labor Development Centre	Waste Reduction Promotion Project for Restaurants and Cafe in Industrial-Commercial District	\$114,330.00
116.	Islands Youth Association	Waste Recovery Scheme in Tai O	\$278,792.00
117.	Kowloon Choi Hung Estate Resident Association	Environmental Rainbow Promotional Campaign	\$82,228.00
118.	Democratic Alliance for Betterment of Hong Kong	Dry and Wet Waste Separation Pilot Programme [Heng Fa Chuen (upper estate)]	\$487,480.00
119.	Democratic Alliance for Betterment of Hong Kong	Dry and Wet Waste Separation Pilot Programme (Lei King Wan)	\$459,060.00
120.	Democratic Alliance for Betterment of Hong Kong	Dry and Wet Waste Separation Pilot Programme (Aldrich Garden)	\$458,550.00
121.	Democratic Alliance for Betterment of Hong Kong	Dry and Wet Waste Separation Pilot Programme (Le Sommet)	\$89,130.00
122.	Green City	Waste Recovery Benefits Environment	\$359,160.00

	Applicant	Project Title	Approved Amount
123.	Kwai Chung South Resident Association	Kwai Chung South Village and Old Building Area Waste Recovery Projects	\$226,332.00
124.	The Conservancy Association	"Don't landfill the used clothes" scheme (North District)	\$251,910.00
125.	ADPL Social Service Centre Limited	Leftovers Composting Scheme	\$138,717.00
126.	Hong Chi Shui Choi Centre	Plastic Bottles and Plastic Bags Recycling Scheme in Tin Shui Wai	\$272,734.00
127.	The Mongkok Kai-Fong Association Ltd. Chan Hing Social Service Centre	Green Action Campaign	\$426,328.00
128.	Hong Kong Eastern District Environmental Advancement Association	Waste Recycling Campaign	\$477,700.00
		Subtotal (III) :	\$9,160,524.00

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<u>Large-scale Environmental Education and Awareness Projects Coordinated by the Environmental Campaign Committee</u>

	Project Title	Participating bodies	Approved Amoun
129.	Schools Environmental Award Scheme cum Student	 Green groups Scout Association of Hong Kong	\$2,952,000.00
	Environmental Protection	Hong Kong Girl Guides	
	Ambassador Scheme	Association	
	2002/03	Schools	
		Tertiary institutes	
		Hong Kong Institute of Education	
		Education and Manpower Bureau	
		 Environmental Protection 	
		Department	
130.	World Environment Day	Community organisations	\$1,382,000.00
	2002	Green groups	
		District Councils	
		 Primary and secondary schools 	
		Environmental Protection	
		Department	
131.	Environmental Protection	Community organisations	\$665,800.00
	Festival 2002	Green groups	
		District Councils	
		Primary and secondary schools	
		Environmental Protection	
		Department	
132.	Production of ECCC	Distribution to schools, green groups,	\$806,400.00
	Monthly Bulletin 2002/2003	community organizations and the public	
		through District Offices, Estate	
		Management Offices and the	
		Environmental Resource Centres	
133.	Best ECF Awards fo	-	\$10,000.00
	Environmental Education &	٤	
	Community Action Project	t	
	2002/03		

134.	Tree Planting Day 2003 Activities	Hong Kong Tree Planting Day Organizing Committee, comprising representatives from District Councils, green groups, Heung Yee Kuk and Government departments	\$150,000.00
135.	Waste Recycling Campaign in Housing Estates (Phase VI)	 Community organizations Green groups Hong Kong Council of Social Services Mutual Aid Committees Owners Incorporations Property management companies Hong Kong Housing Authority Hong Kong Housing Society Social Welfare Department Environmental Protection Department 	\$3,805,800.00
136.	Environmental Protection Ambassador Schemes for Scouts, Guider/Girl Guides, Leo, Junior & Senior Police Call, Rotary/Rotaract/ Interact, Z, Z Club Members, Boys' Brigade and Property Management	 Community organisations Property management companies Schools Environmental Protection Department 	\$1,036,900.00
137.	Hong Kong Eco-Business Awards 2002	 Business associations Business Environment Council Hong Kong Productivity Council Consumer Council Hong Kong Association of Property Management Companies Hong Kong Council of Social Service Hong Kong Housing Authority Hong Kong Housing Society 	\$1,537,800.00

	441	Total (I)+(II)+(III)+(IV) :	\$27,834,955.65
		Subtotal (IV):	\$14,435,100.00
		Department	
	District Councils •	Environmental Protection	
	jointly organized with •	District Councils	
140.	Environmental Activities •	Community organizations	\$864,600.00
		Department	
	Institutes (Phase IV) •	Environmental Protection	
	Tertiary and Vocational •	Tertiary and vocational institutes	
139.	Waste Recycling Scheme in •	Green groups	\$588,800.00
	•	Education and Manpower Bureau	
	•	Schools	
	Award 2002/2003 •	Hong Kong Productivity Council	
138.	Hong Kong Green School •	Hong Kong Institute of Education	\$635,000.00

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF AUDIT TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

I have audited the attached financial statements which have been prepared under the accounting policies set out in note 2 to the accounts.

Respective responsibilities of the Secretary for the Environment, Transport and Works and the Director of Audit

Under the provisions of section 8(1) of the Environment and Conservation Fund Ordinance (Cap. 450), the Secretary for the Environment, Transport and Works is responsible for the preparation of financial statements. In preparing the financial statements, the Secretary for the Environment, Transport and Works has to select appropriate accounting policies and to apply them consistently.

It is my responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on my andir, on those statements and to report my opinion to you.

Basis of opinion

I certify that I have audited the financial statements referred to above in accordance with the provisions of section 8(2) of the Environment and Conservation Fund Ordinance and the Andit Commission auditing standards. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the Secretary for the Environment, Transport and Works in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the circumstances of the Environment and Conservation Funds consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

I planned and performed my andit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which I considered necessary in order to provide me with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance as to whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement. In forming my opinion I also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements. I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinion.

Opinion

In my opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Environment and Conservation Fund as at 31 March 2003 and of its surplus and cash flows for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the provisions of section 8(1) of the Environment and Conservation Fund Ordinance.

Audit Commission Ecng Kong 25 July 2003

(LEUNG Kiri-yuen, Patrick)
Assistant Director of Audit
for Director of Audit

Environment and Conservation Fund Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2003

	2003 \$	2002 \$
Assets		
Bank deposits	94,566,475	16,102,962
Interest receivable	243,729	15,034
Cash at bank	68,731	25,541
	94,878,935	16,143,537
Representing:	-	
Fund Balance	94,878,935	16,143,537

The accompanying notes 1 to 5 form part of these accounts.

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(Dr Sarah Liao Sau-tung, IP)
Secretary for the Environment, Transport and Works
Trustee of the Environment and Conservation Fund

Environment, Transport and Works Bureau Government Secretariat
Hong Kong
24 June 2003

Environment and Conservation Fund Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31 March 2003

	Note	2003 \$	2002 \$
Income Contribution from the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region		100,000,000	-similar e
Interest		1,355,473	933,399
Refund of grants		55,902	51,332
Refund of bank charges		_	30
19		101,411,375	984.761
Expenditure Grants to Environmental Campaign Committee Grants for environmental research and other projects	3	20,172,000 2,503,977	22,970,000 2,520,043
Grants for environmental research and other projects	•	22,675,977	25,490.043
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year		78,735,398	(24,505,282)

The accompanying notes 1 to 5 form part of these accounts.

Environment and Conservation Fund Statement of Changes in Equity for the year ended 31 March 2003

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	2003	2002
Fund Balance:	\$	\$
Balance at 1 April	16,143,537	40,648,819
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	78,735,398	(24,505,282)
Balance at 31 March	94,878,935	16,143,537

The accompanying notes 1 to 5 form part of these accounts.

Environment and Conservation Fund Cash Flow Statement for the year ended 31 March 2003

	2003 \$	2002 \$
Operating activities		
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	78,735.398	(24,505,282)
Interest income	(1,355,473)	(933,399)
Net cash from /(used in) operating activities	77,379,925	(25, 438, 681)
Investing activities		
Interest received	1,126,778	1,006.322
Net cash from investing activities	1,126,778	1,006,322
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	78,506,703 16,128.503	(24,432,359) 40,560,862
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 April Cash and cash equivalents at 31 March	94,635,206	16.128,503
Analysis of cash and cash equivalents		
Bank deposits with maturities from three to six months	74,663,447	
Bank deposits with maturities within three months	19,903,028	16,102,962
Cash at bank	68,731	25,541
	94,635,206	16,128,503

The accompanying notes 1 to 5 form part of these accounts.

Environment and Conservation Fund Notes to the Accounts

1. General

The Environment and Conservation Fund accounts are prepared in accordance with section 8(1) of the Environment and Conservation Fund Ordinance (Cap. 450). The Fund was established for the purposes of funding educational, research and other projects and activities in relation to environmental and conservation matters in accordance with section 4 of the Environment and Conservation Fund Ordinance.

2. Accounting policies

(a) Basis for preparation of accounts

The accounts are prepared on an accrual basis.

- (b) Revenue recognition
 - (i) Contribution from the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region is recognised on actual receipt.
 - (ii) Interest income from bank deposits is recognised on a time apportioned basis based on the principal amounts outstanding at the applicable interest rates.

(c) Cash equivalents

Cash equivalents are short-term and highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash which comprise bank deposits with maturities of six months or less from the date of acquisition.

3. Grants

Grants to the Environmental Campaign Committee for funding its core activities and projects undertaken by other non-profit making organisations are treated as payments in the Environment and Conservation Fund accounts. As at the balance sheet date, the unspent balances held by the Environmental Campaign Committee are as follows:

	2003 S	2002 \$
Receipts during the year		
Grants	20.172,000	22,970,000
Interest	2,939	5,498
Sponsorships	285,000	384,800
	20,459,939	23,360,298
Less: Payments during the year	(18,664,210)	(22,387,205)
	1,795,729	973,093
Balance at 1 April	1,208,333	235,240
Balance at 31 March	3,004.062	1,208,333

4. Commitments

As at 31 March 2003, there were commitments totalling \$2,576,813 (2002: \$4,042,591) being the outstanding balances of approved grants payable to organisations subject to satisfactory progress or completion of the relevant projects.

5. Comparative figures

Certain comparative figures have been reclassified to conform with the current year's presentation of the financial statements which have been changed in the following aspects:

- (a) a statement of changes in equity is presented as a separate component of the financial statements in compliance with Statement of Standard Accounting Practice (SSAP) 1 "Presentation of financial statements"; and
- (b) a cash flow statement is prepared in compliance with SSAP 15 "Cash flow statements".