

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

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Head: (49) Food and Environmental Hygiene Department  
Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified  
Programme: (2) Environmental Hygiene and Related Services  
Controlling Officer: Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene (Miss Vivian LAU)  
Director of Bureau: Secretary for Food and Health

Question:

1. Please advise on the total number of refuse collection vehicles (RCVs) currently owned by the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department.
2. Please advise on the average service life of the 49 RCVs to be replaced.
3. Please advise on the total replacement cost in this respect.

Asked by: Hon WONG Pik-wan, Helena (Member Question No. 12)

Reply:

The information sought is provided as follows –

1. At present, the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department has 145 refuse collection vehicles (RCVs).
2. We plan to start replacing 49 RCVs in 2017-18. These vehicles commenced service between December 2009 and July 2011. Their average service life would be around 8.57 years by the time they are replaced.
3. The total estimated replacement cost of the 49 RCVs is \$120.5 million, with payments to be settled by phases.

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