

Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2008-09
**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

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Head : 82 Buildings Department Subhead (No. & title) :

Programme: Buildings and Building Works

Controlling Officer: Director of Buildings

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Development

Question :

Regarding the operation of the joint office to handle public complaints about water seepage problems, when will the report of the interim review be completed?

Asked by : Hon. LEE Wing-tat

Reply :

Since July 2006, the Buildings Department and the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department have extended the operation of the pilot Joint Office (JO) to handle public complaints about water seepage problems to the whole territory under a three-year programme. The JO has commenced a mid-term review on the effectiveness of the programme for the first 18 months of operation. The review will be completed shortly and we will refine the operation of the JO as appropriate, taking into consideration the findings of the review.

Signature _____

Name in block letters **CHEUNG Hau-wai** _____

Post Title **Director of Buildings** _____

Date **28 March 2008** _____