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The chapter on Banking Stability in this Annual Report is the report on the working of the Banking Ordinance and the activities of the office of the Monetary Authority during 2004 submitted by the Monetary Authority to the Financial Secretary in accordance with Section 9 of the Banking Ordinance.

This Annual Report makes reference to documents and other materials available on the HKMA website [www.hkma.gov.hk](http://www.hkma.gov.hk). These references appear as  >, followed by navigation guidance from the HKMA homepage.

The full text of this Report is available on the HKMA website in interactive form and on PDF files.

A summary version of this Report is also available in *An Introduction of the Hong Kong Monetary Authority* 2005 Edition.

All amounts in this Report are in Hong Kong dollars unless otherwise stated.

**TABLE 4 A more environmentally friendly office**

| Item  | Unit | 2003 usage | 2004 usage | Percentage change 2003 to 2004 |
|---|------|------------|------------|--------------------------------|
| Paper cup   | No.  | 42,000     | 36,000     | -14.3%                         |
| Christmas card                                      | No.  | 2,600      | 0          | -                              |
| Electricity consumption at Main Office in Central   | kWh  | 2,305,140  | 2,131,016  | -7.6%                          |
| Chilled water consumption at Main Office in Central | kWh  | 1,444,940  | 925,460    | -36.0%                         |

Since the introduction of the HKMA's Environmental Policy in late 2001, a number of green-office measures have been implemented and colleagues' awareness of environmental issues has increased. More energy-efficient lighting and air-conditioning in the new offices, and the decision to dispense with printed Christmas cards helped save resources in 2004 (Table 4).

The HKMA continued to support and encourage recycling in 2004, through such measures as collecting waste paper for recycling and donating computer equipment to charitable organisations.

Regular campaigns were held to collect unwanted clothes, toys and other reusable items from colleagues for donation to people in need.

During the year, the HKMA participated in various community events and fund-raising activities. These included several charity races, such as the Hong Kong Marathon and the Green Power Hike in February, and the Run-up Two IFC in November 2004. Fifty-eight colleagues took part in the Hong Kong Red Cross blood donation day in August. Staff also participated in other fund-raising activities such as Community Chest's Skip Lunch Day, Green Day and Dress Casual Day.

In May the HKMA Volunteer Team visited pupils in Liannan, a mountain district in Guangdong province inhabited by the minority Yao people. Various activities were held to appeal for donations, in cash and in kind, to help students in Liannan to continue their education. The HKMA Volunteers also organised an outing for clients of a sheltered workshop and hostel in May 2004.

The HKMA bought suitable office supplies from a workshop staffed by people with physical disabilities. The electronic Christmas card of the HKMA was designed by a charitable organisation for the visually impaired.



An HKMA Corporate Team participates in the Run-up Two IFC Charity Race.



An HKMA Volunteer Team visits the school children in Liannan, a hilly area in Guangdong.