TO: JOINT WASTE DISPOSAL BOARD 20 JUNE 2007

WORKS DELIVERY PROGRESS REPORT (Report by the Project Director)

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The purpose of this report is to inform the Joint Waste Disposal Board of progress since the last meeting of the Board on 28 March 2007.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 That the Board note progress made in the areas of the EPC Contract and Planning since the last meeting on 28 March 2007.

3. SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Background

- 3.1 The Joint Waste PFI Contract was signed with WRG on 31 October 2006. After a short mobilisation period, the service commenced on 4 December 2006, when WRG took on the management of the two Key Project Facilities in Bracknell and Reading and the Bring Banks within each of the three councils.
- 3.2 The Monthly EPC Progress Reports for April and May are appended to this report for information.

EPC and Planning

EPC

- 3.3 The EPC Contract, for the design and construction of the Key Project Facilities, is being undertaken via a joint venture (JV) between Earthtech and Clugston.
- 3.4 Since the last Board meeting, the JV have continued to make significant progress in the construction of the Smallmead Facility in Reading. Most of the concrete work up to gridline 16 (the extent of Phase 1 of the Construction) is now complete and structural steelwork is beginning to be erected.
- 3.5 The following subcontractors have been appointed to work on the Smallmead development in areas where their total work will exceed £250,000:

Bulk Earthworks: Killoughery Pre-cast Concrete Piling: Stent

Stuctural Steel: SCWS

Civil Concrete Works: Brentco Ltd

Cladding: Weatherwise

3.6 In each case the JV have carried out a process of checking a number of subcontractors and then sought the approval of the Client to appoint.

- 3.7 The Civil concrete works were due to be undertaken by a company called Scanmoor. Unfortunately they went into administration. Normally that would have caused severe disruption to the construction programme but in this instance delays were avoided due to the prompt action of the Project Manager from Clugston our construction contractors.
- 3.8 As a result of this, and the progress made elsewhere, the construction is currently 5 weeks ahead of the contract schedule.

Planning

- 3.9 A revised Planning Application for the redevelopment of Longshot Lane was submitted to Bracknell Forest Borough Council 28th March.
- 3.10 Following further discussions between WRG and BFBC Planning and Highways staff, some clarifying changes were made on May 14th. These related to principally to access issues.
- 3.11 The application is satisfactory and subject to finalising appropriate conditions is close to being granted.
- 3.12 At Smallmead in Reading, the approval of the Flood Risk Assessment from the EA has been achieved.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

EPC Progress Reports (appended)

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