EPC, PLANNING AND LICENSING 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 12 December 2007.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 That Members note progress made in the areas of the EPC Contract and Planning since the last meeting on 12 December 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.
- 3.2 The Monthly EPC Progress Report for the period up to the end of February is appended to this report for information.

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- 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 On January 11th 2008 the first Phase of the Smallmead Waste Management Park (the Household Waste Recycling Centre (HWRC)) was opened to the public.
- 3.5 Phase 2 at Smallmead is well underway and in fact the buildings (Material Reclamation Facility (MRF) building and office/visitor centre) are expected to be completed by mid-August. The remaining work on this phase will be in the construction and testing of the MRF itself and in landscaping.
- 3.6 The MRF will be built on site and OKLM, the manufacturers, are due to arrive on site in early April.
- 3.7 Phase 2 at
- 3.8 Work at Longshot Lane is due to begin on April 7th. Prior to this date, the site will be closed completely to allow the site to be completely cleared in readiness for the existing buildings to be demolished.
- 3.9 Work at Longshot Lane is also due to be completed in two phases. The first phase (Transfer Station) should finish around the end of 2008 with the second phase

(HWRC) finishing in June 2009. Works at Longshot Lane are scheduled to last for 15 months.

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- 3.10 Discussions, facilitated by the councils Project Team, between WRG, the EPCJV and Prudential regarding a perceived encroachment of temporary earthworks into the flood relief channel alongside the Smallmead development were undertaken in January.
- 3.11 Representatives of Prudential (Peter Brett Associates) were invited to witness the removal of the encroaching earthworks and were apparently happy with the results. The Contractor is writing to Prudential to clarify, and hopefully conclude, this matter.
- 3.12 There is no new information in relation to the applications for a Section 73 amendment to the Planning Conditions for Smallmead and Longshot Lane.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

Reports to Joint Waste Disposal Board, 12 December 2007

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