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Dear Ms Hodgkins

Thank you for your letter of 23 March 2018 about the hazardous waste status of Solid Recovered Fuel intended for energy recovery (the Material) under the *Hazardous Waste (Regulation of Exports and Imports) Act 1989* (the Act).

We have reviewed the data and, based on the information you have provided, the Material does not appear to be a hazardous waste and therefore does not require a hazardous waste permit for its export. In forming this view, the Department of the Environment and Energy took the following factors into account:

- The household waste from which the Material has been derived has been subjected to a range of sorting and treatment processes to remove organics, metals, moisture and other contaminants that could adversely affect the utility of the Material as a fuel for use in combustion facilities.
- Residual levels of Basel Convention Annex I substances (fluorides, copper, cadmium, lead and mercury) in the Material are below the relevant hazard thresholds for the substances. Therefore, we do not consider the Material to be hazardous.
- The Material is suitable for use as an alternative fuel source in cement kilns and other combustion facilities.

Please note that the above advice is specific to the Material and our advice may change if there is any change to the Material, or processes used to treat the Material. Please also be aware that, if the Material is to be shipped to an overseas facility for processing, you will need to obtain the necessary import approvals from the relevant Competent Authority, if required, and comply with the relevant transport and packaging requirements.

Yours sincerely

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