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Dear Ms Flanagan

Spring Farm Resource Recovery Facility MP05_0098 MOD 5 – Final Response to Submissions

I refer to the document titled “Final response to submissions Spring Farm Advanced Resource Recovery Treatment (ARRT) facility” (“FRTS”) dated 1 June 2015 and prepared by Suez Environment (“Suez”) and the Department of Planning and Environment’s (“DPE”) request for the Environment Protection Authority (“EPA”) to review the adequacy of the FRTS in relation to the EPA’s submission of 15 April 2015.

Final response to adequacy assessment is sufficient

A review of the FRTS found that the additional information supplied by Suez adequately addresses the EPA’s concerns regarding the tank de-sludging process and odour modelling for the proposed operations for the purpose of the Environmental Assessment. The EPA notes that Suez has stated that the specific details of the tank de-sludging process will be provided in the Operational Environment Management Plan for the facility.

The proponent should be aware any commitments made in the environmental assessment (“EA”) may be formalised as approval conditions. Consequently pollution control measures should not be proposed if they are impractical, unrealistic or beyond the financial viability of the development. It is important that all conclusions are supported by adequate data.

EPA cannot exclude the possibility that further issues might be identified in its detailed review of the EA during the exhibition period.

Should you have any questions about this matter please contact Lara Barrington on 9995 5713.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T. Wilson'.

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