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To: [REDACTED]
Subject: EIR-17-1062 - Organic Waste Framework
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Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your information request of 25 July 2017. Aberdeen City Council (ACC) has completed the necessary search for the information requested.

Please could you assist with the following information request which relates to the organic waste framework.

Background/Context: Scotland Excel – Environment Category – Organics Framework Scotland Excel
Our organic waste framework is helping Scottish councils meeting legislation that makes it mandatory to collect food waste from households and food businesses by 2016.

Designed to assist local authorities in their statutory requirements to collect and treat organic waste separately from other waste materials, this framework for the treatment for organic waste offers local authorities a variety of treatment options for food and garden wastes collected separately or as a co-mingled mix, including anaerobic digestion, in-vessel and open window composting.

In the main organic waste is delivered by a council to the service provider's facility for treatment. However, some councils have a slightly different service model, which is to deposit organic waste at a specific point where it will be bulked then collected by the service provider for onward hauling and treatment. The framework is flexible enough to allow councils to select either or both service models as required.

1. Please could you complete the following table:

ABERDEEN CITY	Annual Tonnages 2017 (predicted)	Annual Tonnages 2016	Annual Tonnages 2015	Annual Tonnages 2014	% bulked and collected by service provider	% delivered to service providers facility for treatment	No. of Different framework suppliers used 2015/2016 for this Lot
Lot 1 – Food Waste	944.73	921.43	796.85	485.16	0%	100%	N/A
Lot 2 – Garden Waste	3693.00	3383.87	791.04	448.00	0%	100%	N/A
Lot 3 – Co-mingled Food and Garden Waste	15169.89	14268.05	12966.54	12798.88	0%	100%	N/A

Please note that Aberdeen City Council has a 1-2-1 relationship with its Waste Management provider (SUEZ UK) who negotiates a separate contract with the local contractor for this waste. Currently there is a 5 year contract in place with Keenans Recycling. The increase in Lot 2 waste is due to green waste from domestic gardens/parks being diverted to the Waste & Recycling service. Currently all organic waste is deposited at our Sclattie TS and then is bulked and hauled by SUEZ organised transport to Keenan Recycling

2. If food and garden waste is currently collected separately, does the Council have plans to switch to co-mingled collections in the future?

Kitchen and garden waste for brown bin collections is currently co-mingled. However, Communal food waste

for tenement and high-rise properties is currently collected as a single waste stream.

We hope this helps with your request.

Yours sincerely,

Grant Webster
Information Compliance Officer

INFORMATION ABOUT THE HANDLING OF YOUR REQUEST

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