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Dear Dave Thomas

Waste Regulations Route Map - Quality of Recycling

I refer to the recent assessment of the Kent County Council's provider of Material Recycling Facility (MRF) services, and in particular the performance of the provider in relation to facilitating high quality recycling of co-mingled dry recyclable material collected from households in Kent.

We have had a number of discussions with our provider, Viridor Ltd, and they have provided details relating to the quality of the recycling that is enabled through their MRF at Crayford. Having evaluated the information provided by Viridor, I am satisfied that the significant majority of the material throughput is subject to a high quality recycling process.

In particular we are advised that paper and card (including mixed paper), which represents a high proportion of this material by weight, is substantially utilised to create material of equal type and quality to that of the input material.

In addition, we are assured by Viridor that they are making further significant strides towards maximising closed loop recycling, and expect yet further progress in quality recycling during the course of 2015.

As you know, we share an aspiration with our Collection Authorities and industry partners to create a truly circular economy, as far as the recycling of waste material is concerned. Please be assured that we are well on the way to achieving this aspiration, and we shall continue our efforts as the Waste Disposal Authority to ensure that we fully achieve this goal.

I trust this information is of use, but please do not hesitate to contact me or a member of my team should you require any further information.

Yours sincerely

Roger Wilkin

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