

MEETING NOTES (Approved 24/10/19)

Thursday 2nd May at 5:00pm	Chaired By: Kristal Di Lucchio (SUEZ)
SUEZ Recourse Recovery Park, New Illawarra Rd, Lucas Heights	Note Taker: Kristal Di Lucchio (SUEZ)

ATTENDEES

SUEZ Australia

- (PC) – Sydney Landfill & Organics Manager
- (KT) - Compliance Manager
- (JK) – Operations Manager
- (KD) – Education & Sustainability officer

Residents

- (JR)
- (IK)
- (MG) MP Holsworthy
- (DP)

Apologies

- MP (LE)
- (NL) – SUEZ
- (LC) – Landfill Manager
- (AP) – Compliance Officer

RECORD OF DISCUSSION

1 WELCOME AND AGENDA

Item	Discussion	Action	Due
1.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KD welcomed all present to the meeting. Apologies noted 		

2 ACCEPTANCE OF NOTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Item	Discussion	Action	Due
2.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Notes from the meeting held on Thursday 21th November 2018 were accepted 		

3 OPERATIONS UPDATES

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3.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JK reports landfilling operations is business as usual, overtopping at top of the landfill continues at Area E 		

- 3.2
- JK reports 8 new bins & truck commenced operation in the public drop off area. The bins are higher and shorter in length and the truck has many new safety features
 - JK reports Southerland Shire Council garbage truck fire response at the front of site. Sites water cart was used and 000 was called, this was due to a mechanical malfunction.

4 ORGANICS

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4.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PC reports incoming tonnes good. • PC reports sales good. • PC reports planning continue for new facility- waste less recycle more grant was approved. • PC reports front end decontamination line upgrades have been installed • JR asked how do we process large volume palm fronds. • PC responds we only process what comes through the kerb side organic bins and this is only a small volume. 		

5 ENVIRONMENTAL UPDATE

Item	Discussion	Action	Due
5.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KT presented the Environmental Update included as appendix 1. 		
5.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JR questions how far is the complaints radius? • KT responds Menai, Barden Ridge & Engadine • PC explains the procedure in how we identify the odour complaint. • DP states it's the reason to call SUEZ hotline directly. • PC responds you can call the EPA hotline, but this complaint may take a few days to get back to SUEZ and this makes it more difficult to source the issue. 		

6 GENERAL DISCUSSION

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6.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JR asked about the container deposit scheme (CDS) and have we noticed a reduction in the red bin waste. • PC responds this is not noticeable in the red bin waste due to the volume of waste. However there has been a significant reduction in household recycling yellow bins, the CDS is very successful. • MG asked if there has been impact to the bike tracks with bikes and cars 		

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- PC responds there is impact along Little Forest Road with the safety of bikes and trucks.
 - DP addresses prior to this meeting conversation with Lloyd Hedges regarding weeds
 - KT responds they have a joint funding with Sutherland Shire Council regarding weed management and waiting on final paperwork before commencing work.

6.2

PC presents presentation – LHRRP Garden Organics Facility 2019

PC briefed the CRG members on proposed improvements to the operations at the Lucas Heights Resource Recovery Park (LHRRP). A summary of the improvements are provided below.

SUEZ operates the Lucas Heights Resource Recovery Park and in 2017 was granted development consent to allow for an:

- increase in overall and yearly landfill capacity
- relocation and expansion of the existing garden organics facility, and
- construction and operation of a new ARRT facility.

SUEZ is proposing to expand the Lucas Heights Garden Organics facility capacity further to 100,000 tonnes per year by:

- Adopting tunnel pasteurisation technology
- Constructing a covered maturation area
- improving odour management of the composting process, and
- utilising the existing greenwaste receipt and decontamination operations on the eastern side of the LHRRP.

SUEZ is also proposing to increase the yearly input rate at the landfill from 850,000 tonnes to 970,000 tonnes, until commencement of the ARRT facility's operation.

A consent modification will be submitted to the Department of Planning & Environment supported by a Statement of Environmental Effects (SEE) being prepared by GHD.

The SEE assessed the following key impacts: Traffic and access, air quality, water (stormwater and leachate), noise, visual amenity and soils, geology and hydrology.

The assessed impacts confirm that there are no significant impacts and in fact there are many improvements compared with the approved consent.

SUEZ has communicated this proposed modification to Sutherland Shire Council, ANSTO, Department of Planning & Environment and the NSW EPA.

Q&A

- IK asked if these changes being “minor” would go to Council or Councillors
- PC responds this would be up to council processes, however believes that the consent modification will require the approval at a council meeting
- MG had thought the covered area would be completely enclosed
- PC responds only the ARRT is fully enclosed
- JR asked will the proposed changes have an effect to the end of life.
- PC responds the end of life is not affected and will cease 2037
- SUEZ will continue to inform CRG members with upcoming information as this proceeds.

7 ACTIONS

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No
Actions

MEETING CLOSED 05:53pm

NEXT MEETING

Date:	24 th October 2019 from 5pm – 6pm
Venue:	Lucas Heights Resource Recovery Park

APPENDICES

appendix	Description	Related Item
1	Environmental Update presented by KT	5