WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND TECHNICAL SERVICES BY DEPUTY M.R. HIGGINS OF ST. HELIER ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 9th OCTOBER 2012

Question

Will the Minister outline what problems, if any, are being experienced at the Energy for Waste Plant and explain to Members who has responsibility for rectifying those problems and the associated costs?

Answer

The contractor, CSBC (Jersey) Limited are responsible for addressing and financing all defects and snags that are a result of design, installation or component failure. The Transport and Technical Services Department is responsible for failures of equipment if such failure is due to misuse or incorrect maintenance.

At this time over 2500 snags have been resolved. There are a further 154 outstanding snags and defects that have been identified and passed on to the contractor. This number may decrease as the snags and defects are rectified or increase as new defects manifest themselves.

These snags and defects range from items that are relatively simple to rectify such as the retesting of the disabled refuge alarm system to items that are more complex, for example the failure of the bucket elevator.

The Energy from Waste plant is a large complicated mechanical system and the number of snags and defects is not unusual for this type of project. CSBC (Jersey) Limited has, since the beginning of the commissioning period, resolved the snags and defects at their own cost and in accordance with the contract.

There is a financial retention of 2.5% of the overall process plant cost which is held by the Transport and Technical Services department for the period of one year from the penultimate milestone payment date. The contract between CSBC (Jersey) Limited and the Minister for Transport and Technical Services is based on the "IChemE Red Book" form of contract and there are clauses in this contract that specify how snags and defects that are not addressed by the contractor may be resolved.