WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND TECHNICAL SERVICES BY DEPUTY R.G. LE HÉRISSIER OF ST. SAVIOUR ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 28th APRIL 2009

Question

"How many of the workers currently employed by the Contractor on the incinerator site have been employed directly from overseas and what steps, if any, were taken to first recruit locally based workers?"

Answer

The Engineering Procurement and Construction Contractor for the La Collette Energy from Waste Facility - CSBC (Jersey) Limited - is currently employing up to sixty six workers from overseas directly at the incinerator site.

Six of these workers are employed directly by Spie Batignolles Camerons Limited a Jersey registered company sub-contracted by CSBC (Jersey) Limited to lead the construction management.

Up to forty French and Portuguese workers have also been employed on site from 20th April 2009 working on the construction of the concrete structure that forms the basic shell of the building. The workers will be divided into two areas of specialist: specialist installers of the bespoke designed formwork systems and concrete placement workers. These workers will be solely employed on the construction of the specialist insitu concrete structure that forms the shell of the building comprising the ground floor slab, the waste bunker hall and tipping apron, the accommodation block and the turbine hall together with associated structures required by CNIM to support the process elements of the plant. The less specialised fixing of the reinforcement will be undertaken by a local Jersey company, FDJ Construction Ltd.

Whilst these forty workers will be peak numbers of imported labour requirement for this element of the works, i.e. prior to the arrival of CNIM the process plant engineers on site in the autumn when numbers of specialist foreign workers will increase again, CSBC (Jersey) Limited have endeavoured to ensure that any locally qualified, appropriately experienced labour were given the opportunity to work on the project by the placement of an advertisement in the Jersey Evening Post from 26th to 31st March 2009 inclusive.

It should also be noted that the construction activities associated with excavation, piling and dewatering are being carried out by local Jersey based companies, namely A.A. Langlois Haulage Ltd, Amplus Ltd and Geomarine Ltd and a number of key Jersey based staff have been seconded to the Spie Batignolles Camerons Limited team from Camerons Ltd.