WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND TECHNICAL SERVICES BY DEPUTY M.R. HIGGINS OF ST. HELIER ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 23rd OCTOBER 2012

Question

Will the Minister provide more detailed information regarding all the outstanding snags at the Energy from Waste Plant, including the nature of any defects, the impact on the operation of the plant, and the estimated cost and timescale envisaged to resolve each issue?

Answer

The Energy from Waste plant has successfully processed all of the Islands' municipal waste arisings since the 17th December 2010.

The outstanding snags and defects at the Energy from Waste Plant are subject to an ongoing contract between the "Contractor", CSBC (Jersey) Limited and the "Purchaser", the Minister for Transport and Technical Services.

Due to the contract confidentiality clauses, the publication of such detailed technical and financial information requires written agreement from the Contractor.

The Minister is happy to meet with the Deputy and review the outstanding snags and defects and to give the Deputy assurance that the process is being managed in the appropriate manner.

The costs of resolving the snags and defects are with the Contractor and this information is not supplied to the Purchaser, so it is not possible to provide the costs for snag or defect resolution.

The timescale for snag or defect resolution is subject to several factors. In some instances new parts have to be manufactured or specialist sub contractors have to be brought in to resolve issues. The timings of these events are planned between the Contractor and the Plant Operators. In addition to this some snag or defect repairs require the plant to be temporarily shut down. These issues are normally held and programmed in to coincide with a planned plant shutdown.