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Residents in the vicinity of Devonport EfW CHP Facility

Dear Resident,

Commissioning Update No 1

As we approach the commissioning of our new energy from waste CHP plant we would like to take the opportunity to give a little more detail about the activities we will be doing and what you can expect to hear and/or see a result.

In the early stages of the commissioning process, which we expect to start in the next week, we will dry out the boiler. We will use diesel oil and not waste as the fuel for this and, as a result, you may expect to see some dark smoke from the chimney (this is similar to, and for the same reason as the ships idling their engines in the dockyard). This will be short-lived, while we adjust the fuel flow.

When we have brought the boiler up to temperature, we will repeatedly heat up and cool down the boiler to loosen off any material on the inside of the pipes. Steam will be produced and blown through the pipes of the boiler to clear out the loose material. This steam cannot go through the turbine as it contains small particles of dirt and dust so it is blown out through a special pipe which has a silencer on the end. You may be able to hear a sound like rushing air which could last for around 15 minutes at a time. We will only conduct steam blowing during the day, starting no earlier than 8am and finishing no later than 6pm. Occasionally, there might be two steam blows in a day.

The timeline on the reverse of this letter gives an overview of the commissioning process. As always, if you have any queries about this or any other aspect of our development please do not hesitate to contact me (full details above). If you have an urgent concern outside of office hours, our site security can be contacted on 07805 684516.

Yours faithfully

Jane Ford

Community Liaison Manager