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SWDWP Waste Contract – MVV to focus on Devonport North Yard scheme

MVV Umwelt, one of Germany's leading Energy from Waste companies, has announced that, although it had put forward two Energy from Waste proposals for the South West Devon Waste Partnership's waste treatment and disposal contract, it will now concentrate on its scheme at North Yard, Devonport only.

Paul Carey, Managing Director of MVV Environment, MVV's UK subsidiary company, said:

'We have reviewed our initial designs for both schemes and have decided that the site at North Yard offers many environmental and economic advantages over Ernesettle. We have therefore decided that now is the right time to concentrate on moving forward with that proposal.'

Mr Carey added that MVV was currently refining its proposal for the North Yard site, which is in the Weston Mill area of the Naval Base bordering Blackies Wood. The North Yard site would offer the possibility of providing cost-effective environmentally sustainable heat and electricity for HM Naval Base Devonport which in turn will offer a significantly more cost-effective solution for the Partnership and Council taxpayers. In addition, as the site is nearer to the centre of Plymouth, there is also a potential that any surplus heat could be offered into a wider district heating network if one is developed in the future. The site is previously developed land and has been identified by MOD as an area with potential for future development.

MVV intends to commence the planning process in April. If the company is chosen as preferred bidder by SWDWP, it would intend submitting a planning application in early 2011.

Notes to editors:

MVV has around 45 years experience in building and operating waste management plants in Germany, where it works with 22 local authorities in five federal states.

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