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MVV submits further information and revised photomontages of EfW building and chimney

MVV Environment Devonport Ltd has submitted to Plymouth City Council further supplementary information, in support of its planning application for an Energy from Waste plant with CHP at North Yard, HM Naval Base Devonport. The package includes information on bottom ash alternatives, road drainage and an updated safety assessment.

Importantly, the visual impact assessment has been updated, including revised photomontages. This follows the erection of the crane on the site on 4 November, after which it became apparent that there was a difference between the heights of the chimney and main building shown in the photomontages and the heights as indicated by the crane jib and hook.

Paul Carey, Managing Director of MVV Environment Devonport Ltd, said:

'The computer model used by our planning consultants URS Scott Wilson to prepare the photomontages was originally based on a ground level of 5m above mean sea level, when it should actually be 9m above mean sea level. The erection of the crane has given us the opportunity to verify the photomontages and we have now updated all of the images. To give people confidence that these are now accurate, we have also produced for public information additional photomontages showing the crane superimposed against the chimney and the main buildings, from which it is evident that they now line up The overall conclusions of the visual impact assessment remain the same.'

Mr Carey added that other assessments in the environmental assessment which accompanied the planning application were calculated using different computer models. They have all been checked and confirmed to be correct. The updated photomontages have been re-submitted to Plymouth City Council along with the other further information on bottom ash, access road drainage and safety relating to the nearby railway and residential properties.

Plymouth City Council will now notify statutory consultees and those who have made representations on the planning application that additional information is available. There will be a further 21-day consultation period for people to comment. It will also be advertised in the local paper and through public notices. PRESS RELEASE

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