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MVV and Gilpin disappointed at Devon County Council's decision to refuse recycling scheme

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MVV Environment Devonport and Sam Gilpin Demolition Ltd expressed disappointment at the decision by Devon County Council's Development Management Committee to turn down their application for a Materials Recovery Facility and an Incinerator Bottom Ash processing facility at Whitecleave Quarry, Buckfastleigh. The scheme had been recommended for approval by the County Council's Planning Officers. However, members decided, after a lengthy debate, to reject the proposal.

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

"We are naturally disappointed at the decision by Devon County Council's Development Management Committee to reject our planning application. The grounds for refusal are unclear and we await the decision from Devon County Council, but subject to that we will make an appeal."

Plymouth, 26 April 2012

Notes to editors:

MVV Environment Devonport Limited is an English registered company with its registered office in Plymouth. It is the subsidiary company of MVV Umwelt and will be the contractor to SWDWP. Both companies are members of German utility company MVV Energie, whose headquarters are in Mannheim. MVV Umwelt provides flexible solutions for waste disposal, producing environmentally sustainable energy. In Germany, MVV Umwelt operates three Energy from Waste plants as well as three biomass power plants, managing 1.6 million tonnes of waste a year. With over 45 years' experience, MVV Umwelt is in the top three companies in Germany in its field.

Sam Gilpin Demolition Ltd is a family-run Devon business which has been operating in the area for 25 years. The process of demolition requires as much as possible of the material recovered being recycled and Whitecleave Quarry offers the space to enable this to be done more efficiently. Working with MVV to use the bottom ash

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as an aggregate resource complements Gilpin's work in diverting material which would otherwise go to landfill.

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