United Kingdom – Municipal Waste

Veolia wins three waste treatment contracts with Westminster City Council

The UK’s leading resource management company, Veolia, has successfully secured three contracts for the sustainable treatment of domestic and business recycling and waste from Westminster City Council.

Veolia will provide a suite of sustainable solutions based on its industry expertise and extensive treatment infrastructure to help the Council reach its target of zero waste to landfill.

The three contracts worth a total of £71m are for:

- Dry, mixed and source segregated recycling (for 3.5 years from September 2016)
- Food waste treatment (for 3.5 years from September 2016)
- The treatment of residual, bulky waste and street sweepings (for 6.5 years from September 2017)

Estelle Brachlianoff, Senior Executive Vice President for Veolia UK and Ireland said: “We are delighted to extend our partnership and I believe we have been successful in securing these contracts because we have the capability to provide innovative solutions that allow us to transform the materials we handle into valuable resources. As the Business in the Community’s Responsible Business of the Year 2016 we look forward to continuing to support Westminster City Council and its residence along their journey towards a more sustainable future.”

Councillor Melvyn Caplan, Cabinet Member for City Management said: “Westminster is a particularly challenging environment for delivering sustainable waste management. We look forward to working with Veolia and further developing our partnership and maximising the recycling and recovery of wastes collected.”

Mixed recyclates will be taken to Veolia’s Materials Recovery Facility in Southwark, where they will be sorted and separated for reprocessing. Food waste will be treated in partnership with Biogen at its Anaerobic Digestion facility in Baldock, Hertfordshire. The plant will maximize the use of this valuable resource by transforming it into a renewable fuel source, as well as producing fertiliser.

Residual waste will be recovered into energy at South East London Combined Heat and Power facility, which is operated by Veolia. The waste will be used to create power for the National Grid and heating and hot water for local homes. Street sweepings will be recycled via Veolia’s specialist facility at Rainham and bulky waste, such as furniture at its Greenwich facility.
Veolia group is the global leader in optimised resource management. With over 174,000 employees worldwide, the Group designs and provides water, waste and energy management solutions that contribute to the sustainable development of communities and industries. Through its three complementary business activities, Veolia helps to develop access to resources, preserve available resources, and to replenish them. In 2015, the Veolia group supplied 100 million people with drinking water and 63 million people with wastewater service, produced 63 million megawatt hours of energy and converted 42.9 million metric tons of waste into new materials and energy. Veolia Environnement (listed on Paris Euronext: VIE) recorded consolidated revenue of €25 billion in 2015. www.veolia.com

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