



By email

27 February 2014

Re: Municipal Waste Incinerators

Thank you for your email of 31 January 2014 in which you asked for information relating to Municipal Waste Incinerators.

Your email has been handled as a request for information under the Environmental Information Regulations (the Regulations).

You asked:

For each of these incinerators [to be used in a Public Health England (PHE) study of Municipal Waste Incinerators] please provide:

- a) the distance from the incinerator to the nearest residential property*
- b) the distance from the incinerator to the nearest primary school*
- c) the distance from the incinerator to the nearest secondary school*
- d) the distance from the incinerator to the nearest area regularly frequented by members of the public.*

Please also indicate which of these incinerators are of a similar type to the one proposed at Charlton Lane Eco Park, Shepperton - i.e. Multi-Chamber Fluidized Bed Gasifier/Batch Oxidised Gasifer/Any other type of Gasifier.

PHE's response:

PHE does not hold information in this format centrally. Permit applications are submitted by the site operators to the Environment Agency, and the documents are available on the Public Register here: [\[http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk/research/library/publicregisters/default.aspx\]](http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk/research/library/publicregisters/default.aspx).

Please note that PHE has robust procedures in place to review individual environmental permit applications sent to us by the Environment Agency to ensure that the installation does not present a risk to public health. For further information please visit the HPA website: [\[http://www.hpa.org.uk/Publications/ChemicalsPoisons/IPPCAndPositionStatements/CRCEMunicipalWasteIncineration/\]](http://www.hpa.org.uk/Publications/ChemicalsPoisons/IPPCAndPositionStatements/CRCEMunicipalWasteIncineration/).

If you have any queries regarding the information that has been supplied to you, please refer them to foi@phe.gov.uk in the first instance. If you are dissatisfied with this response and would like to request an internal review, then please contact Mr George Stafford at the address above or by emailing complaints@phe.gov.uk.

Please note that you have the right to an independent review by the Information Commissioner's Office if a complaint cannot be resolved through the PHE complaints procedure. The Information Commissioner's Office can be contacted by writing to Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely

Freedom of Information Officer