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Comments as per below

Question 1 – Definitions are not clear nominate the companies and Local Govts by name.

Question 2 – We collect data in cubic metres because we do not have a weigh bridge and the person manning the gate can readily estimate the volumes. If we need to convert volumes to a tonnage rate then a simple equation is required.

We do not differentiate rubbish collected from domestic, commercial, special event or street bin sources. To do so will require resources we do not have. Similar to participation rates we do not collect this data and it would be an impost on our contractor to do so. They would have to keep statistics for statistics sake and for very little benefit.

Question 3 – Barriers main barrier is a lack of resources and time it takes to provide the statistics required in the format that is required. The census requested from the Waste Authority every year takes a lot of time to compile which we do not have so essentially we send in our data and leave it to them to sort out.

Further, we are relying on the people on the ground at the tip site to collect this information.

In the past when such statistics were called for I have provided our raw data and have left it up to those who want these statistics to go through it and collate in the form they want.

With regards to 4.1 contract terms – if you can write up what you require we may put it in the tender specifications when the current contracts expire.

6.1 Workshops & training – you need to bring this training to each individual site because there are a number of people involved in the gathering of the data that is required. To send them all away will be cost prohibitive and take them away from their job.

In essence we can provide what ever is required subject to adequate resources and money. If the DER wishes to provide the money and resources it can be done.

As a general comment the Dept. needs to sort out markets for recycled materials and sort out costs of transporting said materials to a recycler. As a country local government I am heartily sick of any recycling programmes being aimed at the city or larger regional centres . They are constantly being able to get on board recycling programmes, such as e-waste, with no or minimal charge whereas it cost us to provide such a service. Further, it is difficult to get recycling contractors to visit our site to pick up such materials because we are off the beaten track.

Further, a container deposit scheme needs to be introduced into the state. This will ensure the manufacturers of products have buy in into the waste stream. Far

too often we have seen excess packaging being used on products sold and it is left up to the local government to provide facilities to handle the waste generated.

Regards,

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