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Statement of Assurance 2016/17

Response to Questions from Merseyside Waste Disposal Authority

1. Have the key risks to the achievement of the Company's objectives been subject to identification and review during the year together with the adequacy of related internal control? Are these reflected in the Company's Corporate Risk Register?

The key financial risks to achievement of the company's objectives are identified and reviewed as part of its annual audit.

In operational terms, the accounts are reviewed on an ongoing basis by the executive team in liaison with the company's independent Financial Advisors and reported to the Board.

There are no new risks for 2016/17 that need to be drawn to the attention of the Authority.

2. Have agreed actions resulting from internal quality control reviews been implemented or are still subject to planned implementation.

MWHL no longer undertakes any operational activities and during 2016-17 the principal function was to provide access to the 3C Arpley contract for MWDA, this is now concluded.

MWHL does continue to manage a small number of legal claims and its corporate structure reflects its current levels of activity. MWHL has professional legal and financial advisors supporting these activities.

3. Have agreed actions of auditor reports been implemented or are still subject to planned implementation?

Our auditors have made no recommendations or comments on the company's internal controls and procedures, hence no actions in respect of this are deemed necessary.

4. Have agreed actions resulting from key external inspections e.g. Environment Agency or any other relevant inspectorates, been implemented or are still subject to planned implementation?

As far as I am aware, all agreed actions from key inspection agencies have been implemented.

5. In your opinion, are there any significant internal control issues that you consider should be brought to the attention of the Authority?

In my opinion there are no significant internal control issues that I consider should be brought to the attention of the Authority.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peter Williams', written over a dotted line.

Peter Williams
DIRECTOR

A handwritten date '4/3/17' in black ink, written over a dotted line.

Date