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Dear Peter

arc21 Residual Waste Treatment Infrastructure Project

I refer to the above and our recent discussions. I am writing to clarify the timescale constraints for the decision of Council in relation to the availability of Council Lands at the North Foreshore for inclusion in the arc21 Site Selection process.

In summary, the ideal time to have a decision is June 08 but the infrastructure delivery programme could accommodate a decision as late as September 08. Delay beyond September 08 however may seriously prejudice delivery of the project and expose arc21 and Belfast City Council to materially increased risk of substantial NILAS and EC non-compliance fines.

As you appreciate, the delivery timescales for major infrastructure such as residual waste management facilities are long and the procedures necessarily detailed. In this instance, the delivery period is five years and with the facilities required for July 2013 to ensure Landfill Directive compliance, it is clear why determination of the candidate sites is required imminently.

I have attached a detailed breakdown of the timescales involved for your information and would be happy to discuss further or provide any additional detail you require.

Yours sincerely

JOHN QUINN
Chief Executive

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