## Annex D9

Investigation Reports of Environmental Quality Limit Exceedance

## **Investigation Report of Environmental Quality Limit Exceedance**

Project	South East New Territories (SENT) Landfill Extension
Date	1 May 2023
Time	8:00 (1 May 2023) – 8:00 (2 May 2023)
Monitoring Location	AM2
Parameter	24-hour Total Suspended Particulates (TSP)
Action / Limit Levels	Action level: >260 μg/ m <sup>3</sup>
	Limit level: >260 μg/m <sup>3</sup>
Measured Level	356 μg /m <sup>3</sup>
Possible reason	From the meteorological data obtained from the SENTX on-site meteorological monitoring station, a predominantly south-easterly to east-southeasterly wind with highest wind speed 4.8 m/s was recorded on 1 and 2 May 2023 during the sampling event.  On 1 May 2023, the ET site representative observed tipping activities at Cell 4X and SENT Landfill tie-in area and unpaved areas in the vicinity dust monitoring station AM2. This could be the potential cause for the exceedance. Based on this observation, the TSP exceedance at AM2 was deemed to Project-related activities.
	In accordance with Table 3.8b of the updated EM&A Manual, repeat measurement was conducted on 7 May 2023 to confirm findings. 24-hour TSP level of 103 $\mu$ g/m³ (below Action and Limit Levels) was measured during the sampling event, which demonstrate no consecutive dust impact at AM2.
Action Taken / Action to be Taken	In accordance with Table 3.8b of the updated EM&A Manual, the monitoring frequency at AM2 shall be increased to daily, until no exceedance of the Action/Limit Level. It should be noted that the turnaround time for the laboratory analysis of the dust filter paper is 5 working days and the preliminary results for the monitoring event conducted on 1 to 2 May 2023 were available on 9 May 2023. Repeat measurement was conducted on 7 May 2023 and the TSP monitoring results at AM2 is well below the Action/Limit Level. Hence, the daily TSP monitoring at AM2 shall not be triggered.  Examination of environmental performance of the Project will be continued during the weekly inspections. The Contractor is reminded to implement relevant and appropriate mitigation measures according to the updated EM&A Manual to avoid any exceedance of the Action/Limit Level.
	ET will continue to closely monitor the dust monitoring results and collect additional data for investigation and further review, if necessary.

Remarks	-	
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## Investigation Report of Environmental Quality Limit Exceedance

Project	South East New Territories (SENT) Landfill Extension
Date	12 May 2023
Time	12:01 - 12:31
Monitoring Location	Landfill Gas Flare 1 (F601)
Parameter	Benzene
Limit Levels	>0.000414 g/s
Measured Level	0.000447 g/s
Possible reason	As confirmed by the Contractor, Landfill Gas Flare 1 (F601) was under normal operating conditions during the sampling event. The landfill gas flare emission monitoring results (SO <sub>2</sub> , NO <sub>2</sub> , CO, Vinyl chloride, gas combustion temperature, exhaust temperature and exhaust gas velocity) at Landfill Gas Flare 1 (F601) on 12 May 2023 were well within the respective limit levels. It is possible that the slight exceedance of benzene limit level measured on 12 May 2023 could be due to some short-term system instability (e.g. insufficient air, short gas residence time or ineffective mixing of landfill gas and air during the combustion) during the sampling event. Hence, the benzene exceedance at Landfill Gas Flare 1 (F601) on 12 May 2023 is considered Project related.  In accordance with Table 3.8b of the updated EM&A Manual, repeat measurement was conducted on 16 June 2023 (it should be noted that the turnaround time of the laboratory analysis of the flue gas sample is 3 weeks and the results were available on 3 July 2023) to confirm findings. The benzene concentration (<0.000330 g/s) measured on 16 June 2023 is well below Limit Level. There is no consecutive exceedance of benzene concentrations in the flue gas emission of Landfill Gas Flare 1 (F601).
Action Taken / Action to be Taken	Examination of environmental performance of the Project will be continued during the weekly inspections. The Contractor is reminded to closely monitoring the operating conditions of the flare to avoid any exceedance of the Limit Levels.
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