

## **Appendices**

## **Appendix A** – Authorization and Trade Licenses of EPC

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HZI ref.: GHD06052018

06 May 2018

**Dubai Resource Recovery Facility (Waste to Energy) / ESIA Scope of Services**

Dear Mrs. Salma,

In line with the agreement dated 5 April 2018 between Hitachi Zosen Inova AG – Abu Dhabi (HZI), a branch office of Hitachi Zosen Inova Ltd registered in Switzerland, and GHD Global Pty Ltd (GHD), we hereby recognize that GHD is engaged as the Project's Environmental Consultant for completion of services related to the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) for the Dubai Resource Recovery Facility (Waste-to-Energy Plant) to be constructed at the existing Dubai Municipality vehicle storage site in Warsan, Dubai.

As you're aware, HZI and NV Besix SA, Sharjah Branch (BESIX) have formed a partnership to build, operate and transfer (BOT) the WtE plant after 30 years' operation.

As per our agreement, GHD scope of services includes the following primary services:

- Phase 1 – Preparation of Scope of Work (SoW) Report
- Phase 2 – Environmental baseline survey and data collection
- Phase 3 – Preparation of ESIA Report, including the following tasks:
  - Task 1 – Stakeholder Consultation
  - Task 2 – Quantitative Analysis (Air and Noise)
  - Task 3 – Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Inventory
  - Task 4 – Impacts Identification and Assessment
  - Task 5 – Human Health Risk Assessment
  - Task 6 – Formulation of Environmental and Social Management and Monitoring Plan
  - Task 7 – ESIA Reporting
  - Task 8 – Project closeout meeting

We look forward to a fruitful cooperation. Should you have any queries or comments, please don't hesitate to contact me directly.

Best regards

Hitachi Zosen Inova AG/Branch Office Abu Dhabi

*Roni Arajji*

Roni Arajji

Managing Director





استثمر في الشارقة  
invest in Sharjah

رخصة تجارية  
Trading License



تفاصيل الرخصة License Details

|              |                                  |                |                  |        |   |
|--------------|----------------------------------|----------------|------------------|--------|---|
| Issue Date   | 2004/11/23                       | تاريخ الإصدار  | License No.      | 531313 | رقم الرخصة  |
| Expiry Date  | 2018/11/21                       | تاريخ الإنتهاء | Registration No. | 30810  | رقم السجل   |
| Trade Name   | N.V.BESIX S.A.(COMPANY)(SHJ.BR.) |                |                  |        | الاسم التجاري شركة ان.في.بيسكس اس.ايه فرع الشارقة |
| Legal status | Branch for Foreign Company       |                |                  |        | الشكل القانوني فرع لشركة أجنبية                   |

أطراف الرخصة License Members

| الحصص  | الصفة      | رقم الهوية / الجواز | الجنسية     | إسم المستثمر                        | رقم المستثمر |
|--------|------------|---------------------|-------------|-------------------------------------|--------------|
| Shares | Type       | ID/Passport No.     | Nationality | Investor Name                       | Investor No. |
| %0     | وكيل خدمات | 784195527187066     | الإمارات    | الشيخ فيصل بن خالد بن سلطان القاسمي | 1338         |
| %100   | المالك     |                     | بلجيكا      | شركة ان في بيسكس ايه                | 36186        |

المدير اوليفير سي ام كراسون

أنشطة الرخصة مقاولات فئة أولى إختصاص مباني

العنوان الشارقة-المجاز/الشارقة- خلف شارع كورنيش البحيرة برج البطحاء شقة رقم 2 طابق رقم 17 ملك البطاء للعقارات

رقم الهاتف المتحرك: 0504813314

صندوق البريد: 6256

الملاحظات Notes

رقم المستودع 710041 رقم اللوحة 263848



2017/11/01

تاريخ الطباعة

43417

رقم المستخدم



**GOVERNMENT OF SHARJAH**  
**Economic Development Department**

## TRADING LICENSE

**License No. : 531313**

**Issue Date : 23/11/2004**

**Registration No. : 30810**

**Expiry Date : 21/11/2018**

**Trade Name :** N.V. BESIX S.A. (COMPANY) (Shj. Br.)

**Legal status : Branch for Foreign Company**

| Investor No. | Investor Name                           | NATIONALITY | ID/PASSPORT NO. | TYPE        | Shares |
|--------------|---|-------------|-----------------|-------------|--------|
| 1338         | SH. FAIZAL BIN KHALID SULTAN AL QASSIMI | UAE         | 784195527187066 | Legal Agent | 0%     |
| 36186        | N.V. BESIX S.A. Company                 | BELGIUM     |                 | Owner       | 100%   |

**Manager : Oliver C M Crasson**

**Activities : FIRST CLASS BUILDING CONTRACTORS**

**Address :** Flat No. 1702, Al Batha Tower, Buhaira Corniche, Sharjah.

**Telephone : 5733111**

P.O.Box No : 1472

**Notes:**

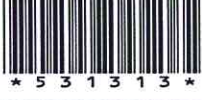
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**Printing Date : 01/11/2017**

**User Id : 43417**



شهادة سجل تجارية  
**Trading Register Certificate**



تفاصيل الرخصة License Details

|              |                                  |   |                |               |
|--------------|----------------------------------|---|----------------|---------------|
| License No.  | 531313                           | رقم الرخصة Registration No.   | 30810          | رقم السجل     |
| Expiry Date  | 2018/11/21                       | تاريخ الإنتهاء Issue Date   | 2004/11/23     | تاريخ الإصدار |
| Trade Name   | N.V.BESIX S.A.(COMPANY)(SHJ.BR.) | شركة ان.في.بيسكس اس.ايه فرع الشارقة   | الاسم التجاري  |               |
| Legal status | Branch for Foreign Company       | فرع لشركة أجنبية  | الشكل القانوني |               |
|              |                                  | اوليفير سي ام كراسون  | المدير         |               |
|              |                                  | مقاولات فئة أولى إختصاص مباني   | أنشطة الرخصة   |               |
|              |                                  | الشارقة-المجاز/الشارقة- خلف شارع كورنيش البحيرة برج البطحاء شقة رقم 2 طابق رقم 17 ملك البطاء للعقارات | العنوان        |               |



2017/11/01

تاريخ الطباعة

43417

رقم المستخدم

**UNITED ARAB EMIRATES  
GOVERNMENT OF SHARJAH  
Economic Development Department**

**TRADING REGISTER CERTIFICATE**

**Registration NO. : 30810                      License No. : 531313  
Date of Issue : 23/11/2004                      Expiry Date : 21/11/2018**

**Trade Name : N.V. BESIX S.A. (COMPANY SHJ. BRANCH)  
Legal status : Branch for Foreign Company**

**Manager : Oliver C M Crasson  
Activities : FIRST CLASS BUILDING CONTRACTORS  
Address : Flat No. 1702, Al Batha Tower, Buhaira Corniche, Sharjah.**

**Printing Date : 01/11/2017  
User Id : 43417**



شهادة تسجيل عضوية لعام  
Membership Registration Certificate For Year

( 2017 )

إن غرفة تجارة وصناعة الشارقة بناءً على قانونها رقم (1) لعام ٢٠٠٣م  
Sharjah Chamber of Commerce and Industry according to the law no. (1) 2003

شركه ان فى بيسكس اس ايه فرع الشارقة  
N.V.BESIX S.A.COMPANY (SHJ.BR)

قد سجلت  
:Company Name

رقم الترخيص :  
531313 :License NO

066022

رقم العضوية :  
:Membership Number

رقم السجل التجاري :  
30810 : Commercial  
Registration NO

الإمارات

الجنسية :  
:Nationality

الفئة :  
الممتازة : Category

فرع لشركة اجنبية

الشكل القانوني :  
: Legal Form

جنسية الشركاء :

الإمارات , بلجيكا ,

: Partners Nationality

العنوان :  
الشارقة-المجاز/الشارقة- خلف شارع كورنيش البحيرة برج البطحاء -شقة رقم 2 طابق رقم 17 ملك البطاء للعقارات  
SHARJAH-MAJAZ-- behaindasd -Flat No 2 Floor No 17 Owned By البطاء للعقارات

: Address

مقاولات فئة أولى إختصاص, مباني,  
مقاولات فئة أولى إختصاص, مباني,

لممارسة نشاط :  
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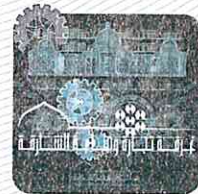
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21/11/2018

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23/11/2004



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**MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATE  
SHARJAH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY**

**MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE FOR YEAR  
(2017)**

**Sharjah Chamber of Commerce and Industry according to the law no.(1) 2003**

**Company Name : N.V. BESIX S.A. COMPANY (SHJ. BR)**

**Member ship No. : 66022                      Licence No. : 531313**

**Commercial  
Registration No. : 30810                      Nationality : U.A.E.**

**Category : Excellent**

**Partner's Nationality : U.A.E. & BELGIUM**

**Address : Sharjah, Majaz, Behind Corniche Road, Owned BY Al Batha  
Tower, Flat No. 2, Floor No. 17**

**Activity : First class building construction**

**Issue Date 23/11/2004**

**Expiry Date : 22/11/2018**





# Commercial License

## رخصة تجارية

|                    |   |                                    |   |                                    |
|--------------------|---|------------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|
| License No         | : | CN-2402965                         | : | رقم الرخصة                         |
| ADCCI No           | : | 357644                             | : | عضوية الغرفة                       |
|                    |   |                                    | : | الشكل القانوني                     |
| Legal Form         | : | Foreign Branch - Switzerland       | : | فرع أجنبية - سويسرا                |
|                    |   |                                    | : | الإسم التجاري                      |
| Trade Name         | : | HITACHI ZOSEN INOVA AG - ABU DHABI | : | هيتاشي زوسن انوفا ايه جي - أبو ظبي |
| Establishment Date | : | 20/09/2017                         | : | تاريخ تأسيس المنشأة                |
| Issue Date         | : | 20/09/2017                         | : | تاريخ الإصدار                      |
| Expiry Date        | : | 19/09/2018                         | : | تاريخ الإنتهاء                     |

| الصفة<br>Role         | الجنسية<br>Nationality                           | الملاك / الشركاء<br>Owners / Partners   | الرمز<br>No. |
|-----------------------|--|---|--------------|
| مالك<br>Owner         | سويسرا<br>Switzerland                            | هيتاشي زوسن انوفا ايه جي<br>HITACHI ZOSEN INOVA AG  | 41485713     |
| وكيل خدمات<br>Sponsor | الإمارات العربية المتحدة<br>United Arab Emirates | أفهاد التجارية مملوكة لشركة أفهاد القابضة ذ.م.م. - شركة الشخص الواحد ذ.م.م.<br>AFHAD TRADING OWNED BY AFHAD HOLDING L.L.C. - SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP L.L.C. | 41485712     |

|  |   |  |
|--|---|--|
| Commercial Activities  | : | الأنشطة التجارية   |
| - Power Generation Plants Maintenance  |   | - صيانة محطات توليد الطاقة   |
| - Constructional And Engineering Contracting Related To Technology Projects - Final Handover |   | - المقاولات الانشائية والهندسية المتعلقة بمشاريع التقنية - تسليم المفتاح |
| - * Civil Works Of Energy Generation Construction Stations                                   |   | - * مقاولات الأعمال المدنية لمحطات توليد الطاقة وتحلية المياه            |

General Note : The Contractor is not permitted to practice the activities marked with sign (\*) unless these activities are classified

ملاحظة عامة : لا يحق للمقاول ممارسة الأنشطة المشار إليها بعلامة (\*) إلا بعد التصنيف فيها

Address : أبو ظبي, شرق 6 - C1 - الطابق 9 مكتب 904, وحدة, احمد حمودة علي غان واخرون

العنوان

تشهد غرفة أبوظبي بموجب القانون رقم 27 لعام 2005 بل المتبعة المذكورة اعلاه قد سجلت لدينا

Abu Dhabi Chamber certifies that the above mentioned establishment has been registered in accordance with the law No.27 of 2005

وثيقة معتمدة وصادرة بدون توقيع أو ختم من دائرة التنمية الاقتصادية - أبوظبي. للتحقق من صحة البيانات الواردة في الرخصة يرجى زيارة الموقع <http://www.ded.abudhabi.ae>

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This Document is Considered As Commercial Register

تعتبر هذه الوثيقة بمثابة سجل تجاري



غرفة أبوظبي  
ABU DHABI CHAMBER



# رخصة تجارية عامة

## General Trading License



|                  |  |                   |  |
|------------------|--|-------------------|--|
| LICENSE NO.      | 3369   | رقم الرخصة        | ٣٣٦٩   |
| REGISTRATION NO. | 610  | رقم السجل التجاري | ٦١٠  |
| LEGAL TYPE       | FZE (Limited Liability)  | الشكل القانوني    | م م ح (ذات مسؤولية محدودة)   |
| LICENSEE         | Itochu Middle East FZE   | صاحب الرخصة       | ايتوشو الشرق الأوسط م م ح  |
| OPERATING NAME   | Itochu Middle East FZE   | الاسم التجاري     | ايتوشو الشرق الأوسط م م ح  |
| DUNS NUMBERS     | 851196654  | الرقم العالمي     | ٨٥١١٩٦٦٥٤  |
| ADDRESS          | Office No. LB12121<br>P.O.Box 61422<br>Jebel Ali,<br><br>Dubai<br>United Arab Emirates | العنوان           | مكتب رقم ١٢١ ال بي ١٢<br>ص ب ٦١٤٢٢<br>جبل علي<br><br>دبي<br>الامارات العربية المتحدة |
| MANAGER          | Eiji Nonaka  | المدير            | ايجي نوناكا  |
| NATIONALITY      | Japan  | الجنسية           | ياباني   |
| ISSUE DATE       | 01/04/2002   | تاريخ الإصدار     | ٢٠٠٢/٠٤/٠١   |
| VALID TILL       | 31/03/2019   | تاريخ الانتهاء    | ٢٠١٩/٠٣/٣١   |
| ACTIVITY         | General Trading  | النشاط            | تجارة عامة   |

CN:9437

(o)

إدارة التسجيل التجاري  
COMMERCIAL REGISTRATION DEPARTMENT  
وثيقة إلكترونية معتمدة و صادرة بدون توقيع من سلطة المنطقة الحرة لجبل علي  
Approved electronic document issued without signature by  
JEBEL ALI FREE ZONE AUTHORITY

صادرة عن المنطقة الحرة لجبل علي، وخاضعة لشروط التاجير والقوانين والأنظمة والقواعد المحددة من المنطقة الحرة لجبل علي.  
Issued by Jafza and subject to the terms of Lease Agreement, Laws, Regulations and Rules of Jafza

## **Appendix B** – Letter of Commitment from Dubai Municipality

(Note: Dubai Municipality to provide a copy of the Letter of Commitment for insertion here.)

## **Appendix C** – Trade Licenses and Certification of GHD

## CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS IN THE EMIRATE OF DUBAI (Registration No. 006/2017)

This certificate is granted to **GHD Global Pty. Ltd.** on **31 January 2017** for satisfying the registration requirements as Environmental Consultant in the Emirate of Dubai. With the issuance of this certificate, Dubai Municipality – Environment Department (DM-ED) recognizes the competence of the company and expects it to conduct environmental consulting services with highest level of professionalism.

As a registered Environmental Consultant, the company is permitted to perform the following services, **subject to the compliance with the attached conditions.**

| Code           | Scope of Environmental Services   |
|----------------|---|
| A              | Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Report for Category A Projects and Category B-Type A Projects (Major Industrial Activities), as identified under EPSS Technical Guidelines No. 2 and 3, respectively. |
| B              | Land Contamination Investigation and Environmental Site Assessment  |
| C              | Waste Audits and Waste Management Studies   |
| E <sub>2</sub> | Air Quality Monitoring  |
| F <sub>2</sub> | Noise Monitoring  |
| H              | Marine and Estuarine Ecology Studies  |
| I              | Soil and Hydro-Geological (Groundwater) Studies   |
| J              | Terrestrial Ecology and Biodiversity Studies, Wildlife Survey, Capturing and Translocation of Indigenous Flora and Fauna  |

The registration is non-transferrable and shall remain valid until **31 December 2018** unless otherwise revoked or suspended by DM-ED, or the company ceases operation. It shall be applied for renewal at least **thirty (30) days** prior to its expiry.



**Eng. Hind Mahmoud Ahmed**  
Head of Environmental Planning and Studies Section



## CONDITIONS OF REGISTRATION

**GHD Global Pty. Ltd.** fully agrees that the following conditions of the registration shall be strictly followed and complied. Failure to do so shall result in the suspension or cancellation of this registration and/or that of a particular registered scope of environmental service.

1. The environmental services shall be limited only to the following activities, to be lead by the specialists as provided herein:

| Code                 | Scope of Environmental Services   | Specialists  |
|----------------------|---|--|
| <b>A</b>             | Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Report for Category A Projects and Category B-Type A Projects (Major Industrial Activities), as identified under EPSS Technical Guidelines No. 2 and 3, respectively. | Salma Bin Breik<br>Katie Ward<br>Edwin Palmer<br>Gheeda Jaouhari<br>Jennifer Calpo |
| <b>B</b>             | Land Contamination Investigation and Environmental Site Assessment  | Salma Bin Breik<br>Katherine Hahn  |
| <b>C</b>             | Waste Audits and Waste Management Studies   | Salma Bin Breik  |
| <b>E<sub>2</sub></b> | Air Quality Monitoring  | Katie Ward<br>Ben Roa  |
| <b>F<sub>2</sub></b> | Noise Monitoring  | Salma Bin Breik<br>Ben Roa   |
| <b>H</b>             | Marine and Estuarine Ecology Studies  | Katie Ward<br>Edwin Palmer<br>Amit Nevase  |
| <b>I</b>             | Soil and Hydro-Geological (Groundwater) Studies   | Dana Shashaa   |
| <b>J</b>             | Terrestrial Ecology and Biodiversity Studies, Wildlife Survey, Capturing and Translocation of Indigenous Flora and Fauna  | Edwin Palmer<br>Eric Cruz  |

**Notes:**

- a. A registration under Code A does not automatically allow an Environmental Consultant to undertake all/any of the relevant environmental services as provided in other codes, even if these are part/required under an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) study. Any environmental report or any portions/sections of an EIA Report prepared by unregistered Environmental Consultant shall not be accepted or reviewed by DM-ED.
- b. This registration shall automatically lose its validity whenever the DED (Department of Economic Development) license of the Environmental Consultant and/or the UAE residence/employment visa(s) of its registered specialist(s) have expired. The Environmental Consultant shall be solely responsible to update DM-ED for such changes.
- c. Registered Environmental Consultants are allowed to accept any offer to conduct EIA study for any prescribed activities; however, it must be ensured that the EIA team is sufficiently competent to conduct the study. Therefore, in cases where detailed assessment is needed for certain environmental impacts, the EIA consultant shall consider engaging other registered Environmental Consultant(s). The judgment on the expertise needed shall be based on the nature of the proposed activity, locality and possible significant impacts. Detailed information on team members, such as registration number, academic background and his registered areas/environmental code, must be included as an attachment to the EIA report.

2. Provide the agreed environmental services to its clients, and satisfy the environmental requirements of Dubai Municipality-Environment Department (DM-ED) with the highest level of professionalism and competence (i.e. submission of the relevant and clearly written reports, inclusion of accurate information and attachments specified in the Technical Guidelines, Local Orders or as required by DM-ED, provision of timely environmental advisory services and appropriately represent its client to DM-ED).
3. Ensure the validity of its DED (Department of Economic Development) license with the activity "Environmental Consultants and Studies" and UAE residence/employment visas of its expatriate employees who are registered as specialists with DM-ED.
4. Secure prior approval from the project owner/developer for any sub-contracting of environmental services. Sub-contracting shall be restricted only to Environmental Consultants who are also registered with DM-ED to undertake a particular environmental service.
5. Only Dubai Accreditation Center (DAC)-accredited laboratories (if applicable) shall be commissioned/sub-contracted in all environmental sample collections and analysis. Prior approval from the Environmental Planning and Studies Section (EPSS) shall be secured for laboratory companies sub-contracted for field monitoring (e.g. air quality and noise monitoring, etc.) which are not registered to conduct the relevant activity/analysis and/or without the appropriate accreditation from DAC. This shall be supported by a written acknowledgement from the project owner / developer.
6. Declare the names of the manager and all concerned specialists, with corresponding signatures and contact details, on all environmental reports, and to attend all technical meetings that may be called by the DM-ED. The signatures affixed in the reports signify the accountability of concerned personnel on the accuracy of all information contained therein.
7. Apply for the revalidation of registration in the event of resignation/retrenchment of a registered specialist (i.e. specialist in-charge for a particular environmental service/registration code). The Environmental Consultant is restricted from submitting reports related to the affected service/environmental code, unless a replacement has been employed for the resigned/retrenched specialist in time for the study, and its application for revalidation has been approved by EPSS.

8. Apply for the renewal of registration at least thirty (30) days before its expiry with the submission of updated documentary requirements<sup>1</sup>. The renewal of registration is subject to re-evaluation of the Environmental Consultant's qualifications (either through an oral interview or written exam relevant to the code being applied), submissions, compliance with the conditions of its registration, and performance for each of the environmental services it is registered to.
9. A continuous evaluation process shall be employed with the objective to provide constant evaluation on the Environmental Consultants' performance. To ensure fair and uniform assessment, DM-ED review staff will provide their comments on the Environmental Consultants' performance based on the aforementioned registration requirements, actual performance and submitted reports. All comments including infractions will be channeled to EPSS, and will be used for renewal purposes or reason for registration revocation.
10. Registered environmental consultants can be deregistered or suspended if they fail to comply with the *Code of Conduct for Environmental Consultants*, or fail to fulfill the minimum requirements of the evaluation, and/or providing the necessary expertise or experience, and/or other reasonable grounds. In cases where registration is suspended or revoked, the Environmental Consultant is entitled to appeal in writing. The appeal must be received by EPSS within one (1) month from the date of rejection / revocation.

<sup>1</sup> DM-ED / EPSS will not inform Environmental Consultants for any renewals.

## CODE OF CONDUCT FOR ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS

All Registered Environmental Consultants are obliged to improve the standing of the consultancy profession by rigorously observing this Code of Conduct. Failure to do so shall result in suspension/withdrawal of registration with the Dubai Municipality Environment Department (DM-ED).

Upon registration, the Environmental Consultant agrees and shall adhere to the following set of responsibilities, but not limited to:

1. To act professionally, accurately and in unbiased manner, and not undertake any job that the Environmental Consultant is not competent to perform;
2. To be truthful, accurate and fair to the assigned work, without any fear or favor while striving to increase the competence and prestige of the environmental impact assessment profession;
3. To judiciously use information required by concerned authorities or acquired from the client in the development and preparation of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and any relevant environmental reports, and maintains confidentiality of information as required;
4. Not to intentionally communicate false or misleading information that may compromise the integrity of any EIA study;
5. To avoid and/or declare any conflict of interest that may affect the work / assignment to be carried out;
6. Not to accept any favor from the clients or other representatives;
7. Not to act in a manner detrimental to the reputation of any of the stakeholders, client and government authorities reviewing the EIA; and
8. To cooperate fully in any formal enquiry procedure of government authority.

**Further information is available at the  
Environmental Planning and Studies Section (EPSS)  
Tel: 04-6066757 / Fax: 04-7033565  
or at the Dubai Municipality Website:  
[www.dm.gov.ae](http://www.dm.gov.ae)**

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## رخصة مهنية Professional License

### تفاصيل الرخصة / License Details

|                  |                           |                 |
|------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|
| License No.      | 526735                    | رقم الرخصة      |
| Trade Name       | G H D GLOBAL PTY. LTD.    | الإسم التجاري   |
| Legal Type       | Branch of Foreign Company | الشكل القانوني  |
| Expiry Date      | 26/05/2020                | تاريخ الإصدار   |
| D&B D-U-N-S ® No | 561224312                 | رقم الرخصة الام |
| Register No.     | رقم السجل التجاري         | عضوية الغرفة    |
| Issue Date       | 27/05/2001                | تاريخ الإصدار   |
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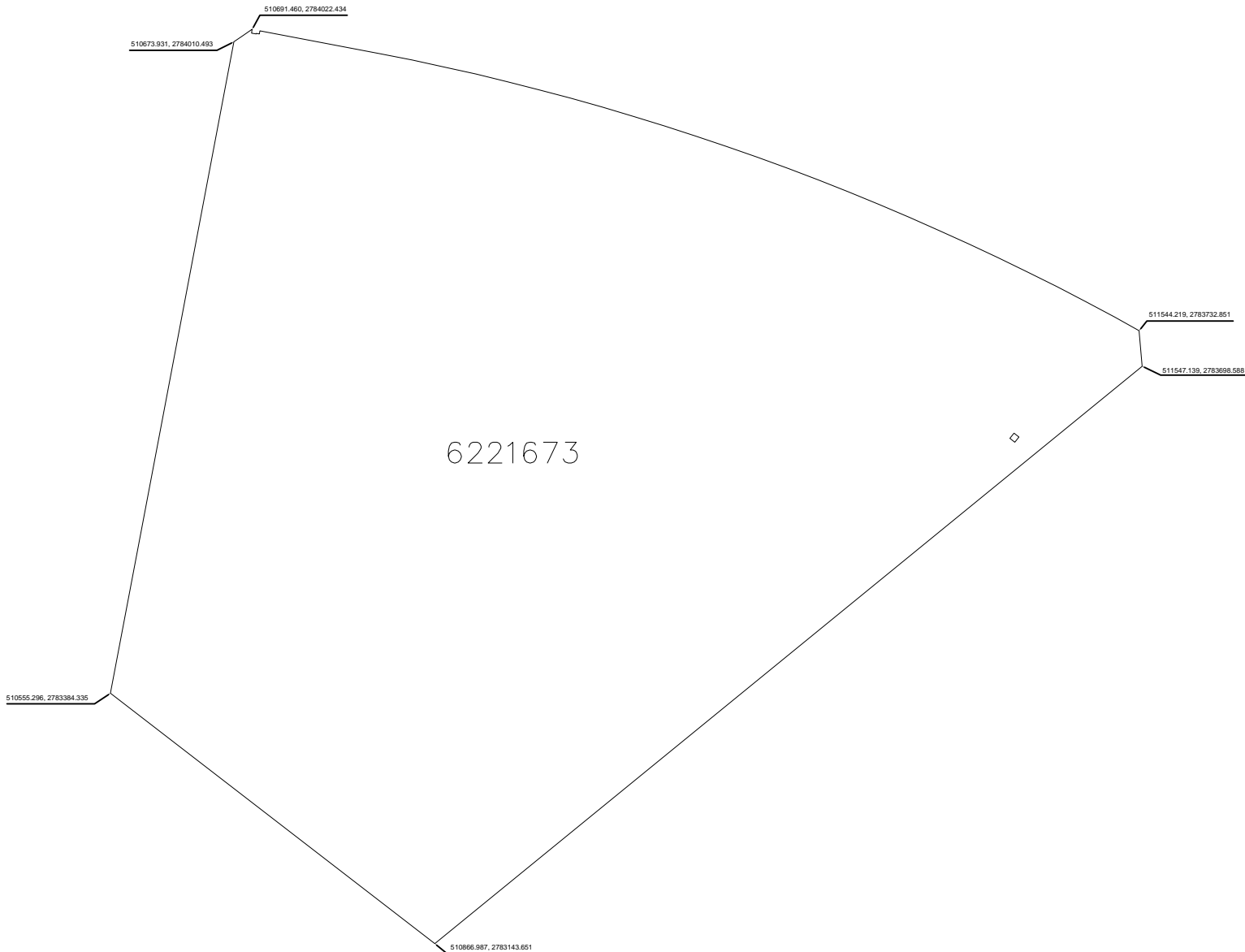
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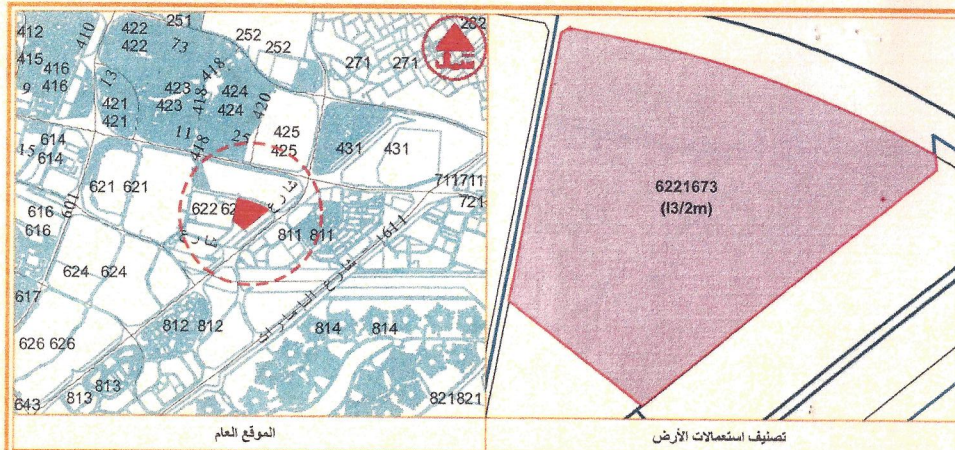
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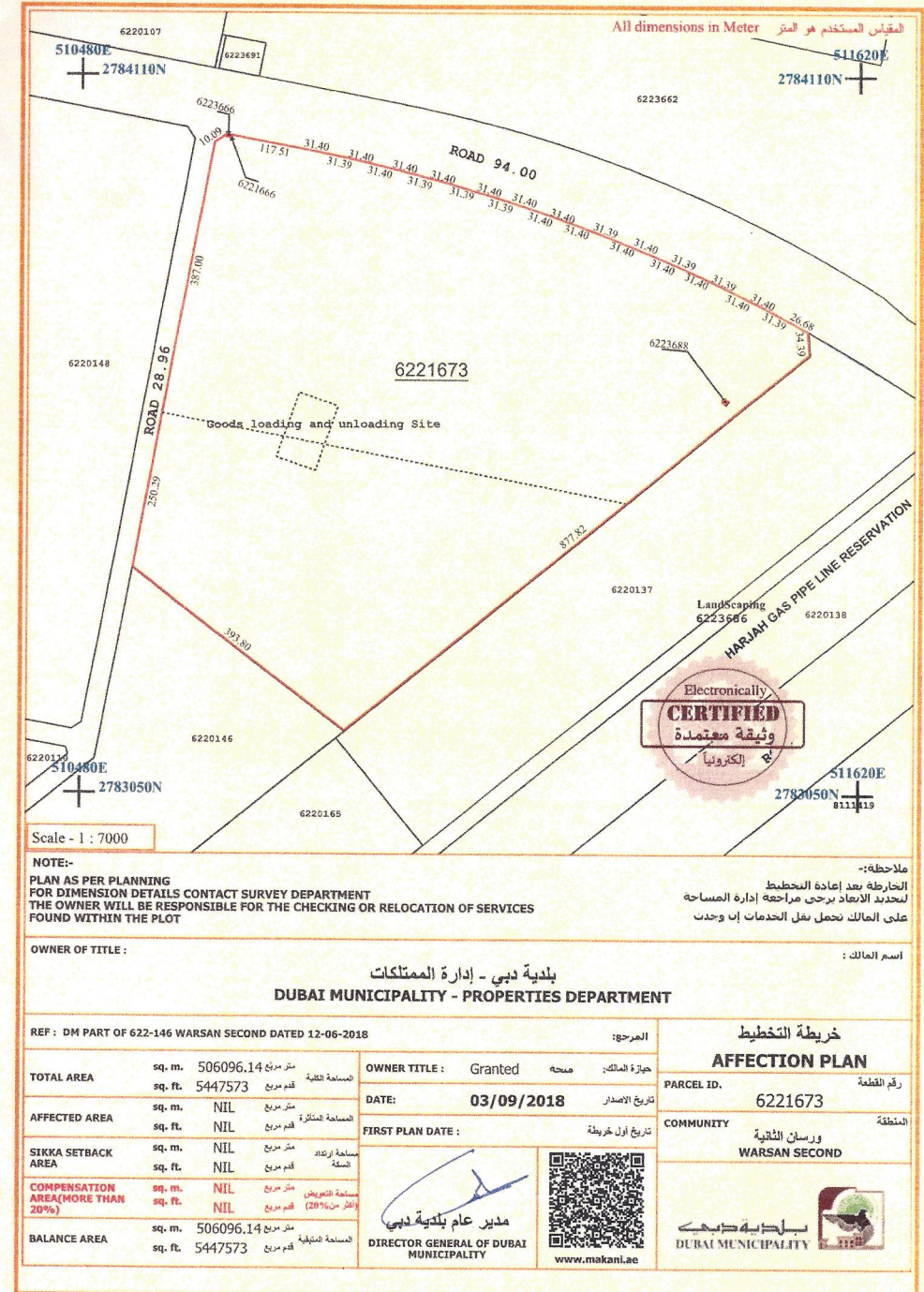


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## **Appendix E** – Approved Scope of Work Report





Hitachi Zosen Inova  
Dubai Resource Recovery Facility  
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Scope of Work Report

July 2018

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# List of Abbreviations

|                 |   |
|-----------------|---|
| °C              | Degree Celsius  |
| ACES            | Arab Center for Engineering Studies                           |
| BESIX           | NV Besix  |
| CEC             | Conditional Environmental Clearance                           |
| CH <sub>4</sub> | Methane   |
| CO              | Carbon Monoxide   |
| CO <sub>2</sub> | Carbon Dioxide  |
| DAC             | Dubai Accredited Centre                                       |
| DEWA            | Dubai Electricity and Water Authority                         |
| DIAC            | Dubai International Academic City                             |
| DIC             | Dubai International City                                      |
| DM              | Dubai Municipality  |
| DM-ED           | Dubai Municipality Environmental Department                   |
| DM-WMD          | Dubai Municipality Waste Management Department                |
| DSC             | Dubai Statistics Centre                                       |
| EfW             | Energy from Waste   |
| EHS             | Environmental Health and Safety                               |
| EIA             | Environmental Impact Assessment                               |
| EPC             | Engineering, Procurement and Construction                     |
| DM-EPSS         | Dubai Municipality Environmental Planning and Studies Section |
| EIA             | Environmental Impact Assessment                               |
| EMMP            | Environmental Management and Monitoring Programme             |
| EMP             | Environmental Management Plan                                 |
| EU              | European Union  |
| FGT             | Flue Gas Treatment  |
| GCC             | Gulf Cooperation Council                                      |
| GHD             | GHD Global Pty Ltd  |



|                   |   |
|-------------------|---|
| GHG               | Greenhouse Gas  |
| GLC               | Ground Level Concentrations                           |
| HCl               | Hydrochloric acid                                     |
| HF                | Hydrofluoric acid                                     |
| HHRA              | Human Health Risk Assessment                          |
| HP                | High Power  |
| HZI               | Hitachi Zosen Inova                                   |
| IBA               | Incinerated Bottom Ash                                |
| IFC               | International Finance Corporation                     |
| IPCC              | Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change             |
| kg/t              | Kilograms per tonne                                   |
| m <sup>2</sup>    | square meter  |
| m <sup>3</sup>    | cubic meter   |
| m <sup>3</sup> /h | cubic meter per hour                                  |
| MRF               | Materials Recovery Facility                           |
| MSW               | Municipal Solid Waste                                 |
| MW                | Mega Watt   |
| NAAQS             | National Ambient Air Quality Standards                |
| NO <sub>2</sub>   | Nitrogen Dioxide                                      |
| NOC               | No Objection Certificate                              |
| NO <sub>x</sub>   | Nitrogen Oxide  |
| NSR               | Noise Sensitive Receptor                              |
| ODS               | Ozone Depleting Substances                            |
| O <sub>3</sub>    | Ozone   |
| OSHA              | Occupational Health & Safety Administration           |
| PM <sub>10</sub>  | Particulate Matter 10 micrometers of less in diameter |
| Q1                | Quarter 1   |
| Q2                | Quarter 2   |
| Q3                | Quarter 3   |
| Q4                | Quarter 4   |

|                 |                                   |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------|
| RTA             | Road and Transport Authority      |
| SEP             | Stakeholder Engagement Plan       |
| SF <sub>6</sub> | Sulphur Hexafluoride              |
| SNCR            | Selective Non-Catalytic Reduction |
| SO <sub>2</sub> | Sulphur Dioxide                   |
| SO <sub>3</sub> | Sulphur Trioxide                  |
| SoW             | Scope of Work                     |
| STP             | Sewage Treatment Plant            |
| TIS             | Traffic Impact Study              |
| tpd             | Tonnes per day                    |
| tph             | Tonnes per hour                   |
| TSP             | Total Suspended Particulates      |
| VOC             | Volatile Organic Compounds        |
| WHO             | World Health Organization         |
| WtE             | Waste to Energy                   |

# 1. Introduction

## 1.1 Overview

Dubai Municipality (DM) proposes the development of the Dubai Resource Recovery Facility (Waste-to-Energy Plant, WtE, plant) (Project) at the existing DM vehicle storage site in Warsan, Dubai, specifically Warsan 2. The proposed Project WtE plant will treat about 1,825,000 tonnes of municipal solid waste (MSW) per year (estimated 5,000 tonnes per day (tpd)) to generate an estimated 200 MW of electricity to power about 120,000 homes.

Hitachi Zosen Inova (HZI), a global leader in Energy-from-Waste (EfW) technology, and NV Besix SA, Sharjah branch (BESIX), a Belgian construction company, formed a partnership to build, operate and transfer (BOT) the WtE plant after 30 years operation.

GHD Global Pty Ltd (GHD) has been engaged by HZI as the Project environmental consultant and has been tasked with undertaking the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and preparing documentation to support applications for environmental clearance for the proposed Project from the Dubai Municipality-Environmental Department (DM-ED).

This report comprises the Scope of Work (SoW) report for the EIA and provides a description of the Project, defines the Project's environmental requirements and specifies the proposed methodology for undertaking the EIA, for comment by the DM-ED.

## 1.2 Requirement for an EIA

Considering the nature and scale of the proposed Project, it is considered that an EIA is required<sup>1</sup>. As such, HZI has commissioned GHD to prepare an EIA for submission to the DM-ED in accordance with DM requirements.

The EIA process will be undertaken in accordance with DM technical guidelines as follows:

- DM Technical Guideline No. 1 (TG No. 1) – Environmental Impact Assessment (January 2017); and
- DM Technical Guideline No. 2 (TG No. 2) – EIA Requirements for Land Development, Infrastructure and Utility Projects (January 2017).

As HZI and BESIX plan to seek funding from international lending institutions, the Project needs to comply with the Equator Principles 1 to 10 (effective 04 June 2013) and International Finance Corporation (IFC) Performance Standards 1 to 8 (effective 01 January 2012), as well as applicable World Bank Environmental Health and Safety (EHS) Guidelines. As part of the review and due diligence, international lending institutions uses a process of categorization<sup>2</sup> to reflect the magnitude of risk and impacts. Using the categorisation process of IFC, the Project can be considered in the Category B to be confirmed by the project proponent.

At the time of preparation of the EIA, HZI and BESIX had not engaged a project lender. Therefore, at the time the lender/s is/are confirmed, the EIA may require supplemental updates or revisions to address lender requirements.

As per DM's TG No. 1, Section 6.2, a SoW Report or Terms of Reference shall be prepared and submitted to the DM-ED for review and approval prior to conducting the EIA study. It is noted

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<sup>1</sup> As per DM-ED's Technical Guideline Number 1: Environmental Impact Assessment System dated March 2014.

<sup>2</sup> Environmental and Social Categorization: Category A: Projects with potential significant adverse environmental and social risks and/or impacts that are diverse, irreversible, or unprecedented; Category B: Projects with potential limited adverse environmental and social risks and/or impacts that are few in number, generally site-specific, largely irreversible and readily addressed through mitigation measures; and Category C: Projects with minimal or no adverse environmental and social risks and/or impacts

that the EIA process shall not commence without prior approval of the SoW Report by DM-ED. Therefore, this Report serves as the SoW Report for the Project.

### 1.3 Report Objectives

Scoping is an essential first step in the assessment of a proposed project. This SoW is prepared with the following objectives:

- Identify at an early stage what the key receptors are;
- Identify the likely zone of impact;
- Identify key issues for the development in terms of potential environmental and social impacts on component receptors based on the Project description and the nature of components and receptors; and
- Define the methodologies to employ in the baseline data collection and impact assessment and identification.

### 1.4 Limitations and Assumptions

- The proposed scope and methodology have been developed based on an understanding of the proposed Project, the site, the availability of existing data, and the proposed role of other specialist consultants in their provision of information to be incorporated into the EIA.
- Assessment of the waste storage facility for the bottom ash and flue gas treatment (FGT) residue is not included as part of the study as it is not the responsibility of HZI. DM is undertaking concurrent projects for review of the bottom ash and FGT residue management options, which will integrate appropriate environmental reviews and approvals as per DM requirements. Bottom ash and FGT residue management is under the responsibility of DM-WMD, and the anticipated location of disposal for this material is being evaluated separately by DM-WMD. The scope of the EIA will be limited to the Project site footprint and the area of impact immediately around it as described in Section 2.
- It is assumed that all information provided by HZI and/or the Project consultants for the preparation of this SoW is accurate.
- This SoW was developed prior to finalization of the conceptual design of the proposed Project. Any key impact significant to the design would result in a corresponding change to the SoW for the EIA.



## 2. Project Description

### 2.1 Project Entities

The project entities include:

- **Project Proponent:** Dubai Municipality (DM)
  - DM is the lead governmental institution and driver of growth and evolution of the Emirate of Dubai. DM initiated the Project in order to produce electricity from the treatment of municipal solid waste, and in line with the waste management strategy.
- **Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) Contractor:** Partnership between Hitachi Zosen Inova AG – Abu Dhabi (HZI) and NV Besix AD Sharjah branch (BESIX)
  - HZI is a global leader in EfW and has more than 80 years of experience and credentials in delivering waste to energy plants. HZI is the technology provider for the Project.
  - Six Construct and BESIX were involved with some of the most cherished and unique landmark projects in Dubai. BESIX is the construction contractor and civil works design engineer for the Project.
- **Environmental Consultant:** GHD Global Pty Ltd (GHD)
  - GHD is one of the world's leading engineering, architecture and environmental consulting companies. GHD operates under a Practice Quality Management System, ISO 9001:2008 and an Environmental Management System, ISO 14001:2004 which are certified by Lloyds Register Quality Assurance. GHD has been engaged by HZI as the Project environmental consultant.

#### 2.1.1 Project Proponent

DM, as the Project's lead governmental institution and leading driver of growth and evolution of the Emirate of Dubai, contracted a partnership between HZI and BESIX to provide EPC services for the Waste to Energy Project. The details of the key point of contact are provided in Table 2-1.

Table 2-1 Project proponent details

| Proponent        | Dubai Municipality             |
|------------------|--------------------------------|
| Address          | PO Box 67<br>Dubai, UAE        |
| Telephone Number | To be defined at a later stage |
| Facsimile Number | To be defined at a later stage |
| Contact Person   | To be defined at a later stage |

### 2.1.2 Engineering, Procurement and Construction Contractor

The Proponent commissioned the partnership between HZI and BESIX to provide EPC services, including 30 years operation and ownership of the Project. The details of key contacts are provided in Table 2-2.

Table 2-2 EPC Contractor details

|                  |  |
|------------------|--|
| Name             | Hitachi Zosen Inova AG (HZI)   |
| Address          | Branch Office Abu Dhabi<br>Bin Hamoodah Tower, 9 <sup>th</sup> Floor Office 904<br>Khalifa Street, PO Box 43199<br>Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates |
| Telephone Number | +971 2 626 0984  |
| Facsimile Number | +971 2 627 6181  |
| Contact Person   | Roni Arai<br>Managing Director   |
| Name             | BESIX Group  |
| Address          | 11A Street<br>Al Quoz 3<br>Dubai, United Arab Emirates   |
| Telephone Number | +971 4 509 2222  |
| Facsimile Number | +971 4 347 3512  |
| Contact Person   | Nico De Koning<br>Bid Manager  |

### 2.1.3 Environmental Consultant

HZI and BESIX engaged GHD as the environmental consultant for the Project. The SoW was prepared by GHD on behalf of HZI. The contact details for GHD are provided in Table 2-3.

Table 2-3 Contact details of environmental consultant

|                  |   |
|------------------|---|
| Name             | GHD Global Pty Ltd  |
| Address          | 3rd Floor Guardian Tower, Danet Community<br>PO Box 45921<br>Abu Dhabi, UAE |
| Telephone Number | +971 2 696 8700   |
| Facsimile Number | +971 2 447 2915   |
| Contact Person   | Salma Bin Breik<br>Project Director   |

The professional staff designated for working on the SoW and the EIA and their expertise are provided in Table 2-4.

Table 2-4 Expertise of team members

| Name                | Key Role in SoW / EIA  | Expertise  |
|---------------------|--|--|
| Salma Bin Breik     | <i>Project Director</i><br>Oversee the program management to ensure delivery in accordance with HZI and Besix's expectations.  | EIA Study<br>Contract Management<br>Waste Management   |
| David Wright        | <i>Project Manager</i><br>Responsible for the day-to-day project activities. David is familiar with project approvals for Dubai Municipality and brings industry leading experience in waste services. | EIA Study<br>Project Management<br>Waste Management  |
| Gheeda Jaouhari     | <i>Project Manager Support</i><br>Alternate project manager when the assigned PD and PM are on leave. Baseline survey co-ordinator.  | EIA Study<br>Baseline Surveys and Monitoring   |
| Geraldine Squires   | <i>Technical Lead – ESIA</i><br>Provides technical advice throughout the Project and reviews all ESIA deliverables. Reviews compliance to international requirements                                   | EIA Study (Impact Assessment Specialist)<br>Environmental Management<br>Social Sustainability and Stakeholder Engagement |
| Roland Shine        | <i>Principal Environmental Consultant</i><br>Completes the terrestrial ecology survey, reviews SoW for consistency with local requirements   | EIA Study<br>SoW Report<br>Terrestrial Survey  |
| James Forrest       | <i>Air and Noise Specialist</i><br>Undertake the air and noise modelling and impact assessment for the Project.  | EIA Study<br>Air and Noise Modelling   |
| Sue Trahair         | <i>Lead Environmental and GHG Auditor</i><br>Undertake the greenhouse gas (GHG) assessment for this project.   | EIA Study<br>GHG Assessments   |
| Jennifer Calpo      | <i>Environmental Scientist / Stakeholder Engagement Specialist</i><br>Undertake stakeholder engagement, social impact assessment and assist with all aspects of Project deliverables.                  | EIA Study<br>SoW Report<br>Social Sustainability and Stakeholder Engagement<br>Environmental Management                  |
| Francis Ramacciotti | <i>Senior Human Health Risk Assessor</i><br>Undertake the qualitative Human Health Risk Assessment for this Project.   | Human Health Risk Assessment   |

| Name             | Key Role in SoW / EIA  | Expertise  |
|------------------|--|--|
| April Gowing     | <i>Health, Safety and Environment Specialist / Human Risk Assessment</i><br>Undertake the qualitative Human Health Risk Assessment for this Project. | Risk Assessment<br>Human Health and Risk Assessment  |
| Birwa Sanghani   | <i>Project Support</i><br>Field and office support   | Environmental science and field support  |
| Dr David Maunder | <i>Technical Advisor</i><br>Provide technical advice to Project team on operational aspects related to the Project                                   | Project Development<br>Biomass and Waste-to-Energy Projects<br>Technical and Commercial Advisory |

#### 2.1.4 Anticipated Sub-Consultants

GHD will engage sub-consultants to perform baseline sampling and monitoring for the Project. Details are provided in Table 2-5.

Table 2-5 Sub-consultants

| Name                                       | Key Role in SoW / EIA  | Expertise       |
|--|--|-----------------|
| Core Laboratories                          | <i>Air and Noise Monitoring / Soil, Water and Groundwater Analysis</i><br>A Dubai Accredited Center (DAC) laboratory engaged by GHD to undertake baseline air and noise monitoring as well as analysis of soil, water and groundwater samples to be collected from the Project site. | Baseline Survey |
| Arab Center for Engineering Studies (ACES) | <i>Geotechnical Investigation</i><br>A DAC laboratory engaged by GHD to undertake drilling of land boreholes to specific depths and collect soil and groundwater samples from the Project site.  | Baseline Survey |

## 2.2 Project Site

The Project is proposed to be located at the waste landfill site in Warsan, Dubai, specifically Warsan 2 (Figure 2-1). The Project is located approximately 17 km east of Bur Dubai, 10 km southeast of the Dubai International Airport and 13 km south of Al Qusais Landfill.







## 2.3 Surrounding Land Use and Site Condition

The purpose of this section is to provide information regarding the existing site conditions, and surrounding land uses and facilities, in order to inform the identification of potential environmental impacts from the Project. This section therefore sets forth an overview of the environmental conditions as background for the methodology to be employed for the EIA study.

### 2.3.1 Surrounding Land Use

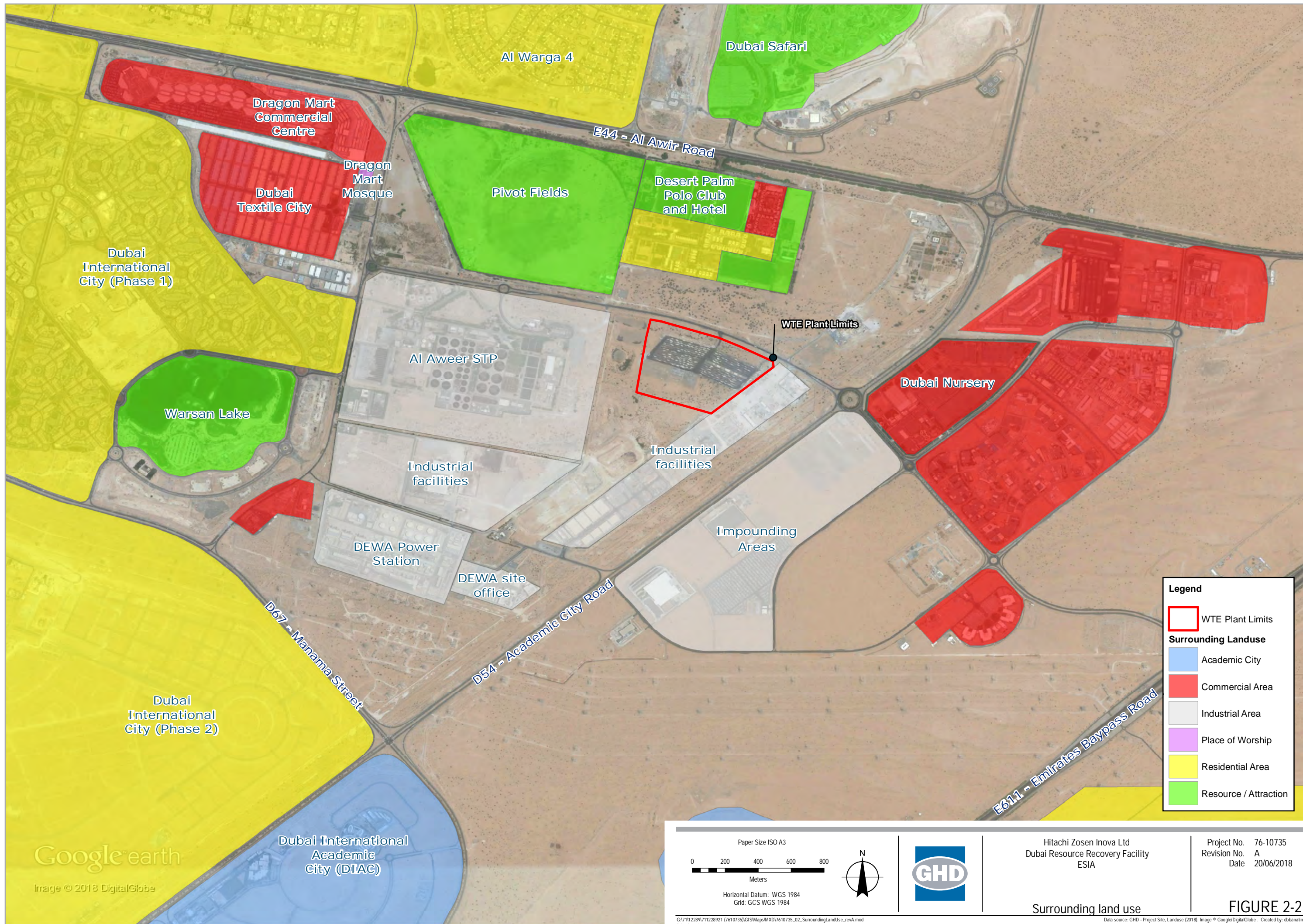
The Project is proposed to be located at a DM owned site in Warsan, Dubai (specifically Warsan 2). Specifically, the site of the proposed WtE Plant is to the east of the Al Aweer Sewage Treatment Plant (STP).

In general, land uses surrounding the proposed Project site are shown on Figure 2-2 and described as follows:

- **Industrial areas** (grey):
  - To the immediate west of the proposed Project site is the Al Aweer STP. As one of two wastewater treatment plants serving Dubai, the Al-Aweer STP is an essential component of the wastewater treatment capacity of the Emirate. The plant receives both domestic wastewater and septage. The plant performs both tertiary wastewater treatment for irrigation reuse and sludge treatment for reuse as soil amendment. The plant was initially designed with a capacity of 130,000 cubic metres per day, which was later upgraded to 260,000 cubic metres per day.
  - To the southwest is the Dubai Electricity and Water Authority (DEWA) Power Station. Support facilities for the Power Station also include DEWA's corporate office and the DEWA Al Warsan Central Store.
  - Industrial Facilities. To the immediate east and southeast of the Project site are a number of industrial facilities and storage areas such as German Ready Mix-RAK Mix, Arar Store, EEE Warsan Store, Emirates Beton, Readymix LLC, China Asphalt Mixing Plant, DEWA Al Warsan Central Store, among others.
  - To the southeast of the Project is the Dubai Police Transport Impounding Area.
- **Resource / Attraction** (green):
  - To the north of the Project site is the Desert Palm Polo Club and Hotel and Dubai Safari Park, both of these sites include recreational uses.
  - The Dubai Pivot Fields consisted of two circular grassy fields (watered by two pivotal watering structures). It was a location for bird watching. The site used to consist of a turf farm where there was recorded presence of masked shrikes and white-tailed lapwings. However, in the present-day condition, the site is inoperable, and the watering stopped in July 2015. The site is no longer grass covered because it is no longer maintained and not irrigated.
  - Al Warsan Lakes are two lakes connected to each other, located around 1.85 km west of the Project. Al Warsan Lakes used to be one of Dubai's birding sites but with the construction of facilities in the surrounding areas, it has shrunk in size and lost 90% of the birds used to be present (Pedersen, undated).
- **Residential areas** (yellow):
  - Al Warqa 4 Neighbourhood is approximately 2 km north of the Project.
  - Dubai International City (DIC) Phase 1 is located around 2 km west of the Project.
  - DIC Phase 2, which is under construction, is located around 3 km southwest of the Project.

- **Commercial areas (red):**
  - Located around 2 km northwest of the Project is the Dubai Textile City, which consist of modern warehouses, offices and showrooms that exhibits Dubai's textile business.
  - Located northwest of the Project is the Dragon Mart Commercial Centre, which is considered as the largest trading hub for Chinese products outside mainland China and offers a unique platform for traders of Chinese goods in the Middle Eastern and North African markets.
  - The Dubai Municipal Nursery is a plant nursery. At the site there are a variety of plants sold, and other gardening activities.
- Located around 3 km south of the Project is the Dubai International Academic City (DIAC), which has an area of 12,000,000 m<sup>2</sup> where educational institutions are based (light blue).
- Place of Worship (light purple). Located around 1.8 km northwest of the Project is the Dragon Mart Mosque.







### 2.3.2 Existing Site Condition

In the existing condition, the Project site is relatively flat and cleared. DM uses the site for storage of a variety of vehicles such as large long-haul trailers and other pedestrian vehicles. Trucks and other vehicles are stored at the site on existing asphalt-paved surfaces. Following is a brief description of the existing physical environment based on GHD site observations on 9 April 2018. General observations from the 9 April 2018 site visit are provided below:

1. **Landfill disposal area** - There is active landfilling taking place at the disposal area to the southwest of the proposed development site. The waste disposal area is covered with mounded sand, and a steep slope rises from a surface water body at the toe of slope. Given the appearance of this water, there exists a potential for leachate impacts in proximity to the landfill cell.
2. **Surface soil impacts** - There was evidence of a possible oil/petroleum spill near the edge of the existing site limits. The oil was running from a point upland near one of the existing cement plants. The oil appeared dried at the surface, so the spill was not recent. In addition, the source of the spill could not be identified, and the oil generally appeared at the surface. Subsurface investigation was not carried out at the time of the site visit.
3. **Cement dust** - There is cement dust, most likely sourced from concrete producing plants, such as blown aggregate, that appears to be across the surface of the sand adjacent to these facilities (eastern boundary of site). There also appears to be concrete washout occurring to the south of the site limits, and adjacent to the existing landfill area. There is concrete along the embankment slope and miscellaneous concrete debris deposited at this location.
4. **Car park** - The car parking area was noted by BESIX to be for DM, without much turnover in vehicles stored on-site. BESIX noted that DM oversees the operations management of this area. There was a recent expansion of asphalt pavement (compacted millings) to the southern boundary of the paved area, which is not reflected in aerial photographs.
5. **Sludge pit** - The sludge disposal areas at the western site boundary appear to be in limited use, but recent sludge deposition was observed at the pit furthest north. The elevation of these pits is much higher than the proposed development site grade. Similar to the landfill cell, pooling surface water with associated reed growth was observed at the foot of the slope leading up to the lower of the pits (closest to the Project site).
6. **Visual resources** - There appears to be a direct line of sight from the polo properties located to the north of the project site, although there exists both a landscape buffer and highway between.
7. **New building construction** - A new building is being constructed to the NW of the project site. It will sit at an elevation above the site grade.

Refer to Appendix A for photo log of the Project site observed.

#### 2.3.2.1 Biodiversity

Biodiversity consists of the presence of natural communities, habitat and species. At the existing site, there is exists both constructed environment and natural habitat. Due to the presence of on-site industrial uses and the surrounding industrial facilities, the site is considered to have a limited capacity to support biodiversity. Furthermore, there are waste deposition activities occurring nearby the site such as the ongoing landfilling and sludge dewatering lagoons, which do not provide historically suitable habitat for wildlife.

No suitable surface water habitats exist within the proposed development footprint. Surface water bodies present are most likely formed from leachate outbreaks from the adjacent waste landfill and the sludge deposition area.

#### **2.3.2.2 Noise**

The site and surrounding land uses comprise heavy industrial uses. It is observed that there are both traffic noise and operational noise from the adjacent waste disposal area (compactor and truck deliveries of waste), concrete producing plants (typical cement production equipment noises and truck noise) and road network (vehicle traffic). On-site noise impacts are also attributed to truck traffic within the vehicle storage area and existing generators for office/construction trailers on-site, which generate ambient background noise.

There are no known existing noise monitoring stations at the Project site.

#### **2.3.2.3 Air Quality**

Based on observations made by GHD during an initial site walkthrough, the existing air quality indicates the presence of odour impacts, which likely originated from industrial activities occurring near the site.

While there are existing undeveloped areas, the adjacent land uses present odour conditions typical for industrial zoned areas. There were odours from landfilling (waste/refuse), concrete producing plants (industrial/oil smells), the power plant to the south of the site, and organic odours from the Al Aweer STP and sludge disposal areas. Entrained dust was also present given the open area and exposed sand dunes.

There are no known existing air monitoring stations at the Project site.

#### **2.3.2.4 Soil and Groundwater**

ACES completed a site soil survey in 2009. An additional site soil survey was completed in 2018 by ACES under contract by BESIX. The site investigation report from the recent survey is currently being prepared. ACES (2009) indicates that surface soils are generally sand in native areas, but there were signs of waste (blowing garbage) and cement dust impacts at the site vicinity adjacent to industrial facilities. The paved parking area is primarily asphalt, stone/aggregate or asphalt millings.

As per BESIX, groundwater depths vary across the Project site, and typically within a range of 7 to 10 metres (m) below existing ground surface. An updated site investigation was completed by ACES in March 2018, and the findings can be further considered for the EIA.

#### **2.3.2.5 Road and traffic network**

The Project site can be accessed via the existing E44 highway (also known as Al Khail Road or Dubai-Hatta Highway). The E44 is a dual 4-lane highway and runs from the west to east. The E44 bisects Al Warqa area to the north and Warsan area to the south. The congestion levels on this highway are high during rush hours. From the E44, the Project can be reached via D54 (or the Sheikh Zayed Bin Hamdan Al Nahyan Street) and an internal road to access the Al Aweer STP (Figure 2-3).

The other major routes to the west and east of the Project are E311 (Sheikh Mohammed Bin Zayed Road) and E611 (Emirates Road).

No detailed information is currently available regarding traffic levels on local access roads around the immediate vicinity of the Project, but based on preliminary observations at site, traffic levels appear to be generally low and uncongested.

#### **2.3.2.6 Social and Cultural**

The site and surrounding land uses comprise heavy industrial uses. The entire project site, which has a total area of approximately 250 metres by 250 metres, is an industrial area. The northern part of the site, where the WtE plant will be constructed, is currently used for storage of a variety of vehicles. There are no communities within the site limits that would be directly affected by the Project construction and operation.

The Project will be located in Warsan Area, Dubai, specifically Warsan 2. Based on Dubai Statistics Report (2016), Warsan 2 has a population of 616 or about 0.02% of the population in the Emirate. The majority of the population in Warsan 2 are residing in residential villas inside the Desert Palm, Dubai, which is located approximately 300 m away from the proposed site. Individuals accessing the commercial and office facilities within the surrounding industrial areas may potentially be affected during the construction and operation of the Project.

In reference to Dubai Heritage site listing ([dubaiculture.gov.ae](http://dubaiculture.gov.ae)) there are no cultural sites within or surrounding the site. Based on initial review of literature, the nearest cultural heritage site is the Al Fahidi Historical Neighbourhood, which is about 18 km away from the site.



Note: Emirates Route (E-routes) are highways connecting Dubai to other emirates.  
Dubai route (D-route) are highways connecting localities within the city of Dubai

**Legend**

WTE Plant Limits

**Routes**

Emirates Routes

Dubai Routes

Internal Roads

E44 - Al Awir Road

WTE Plant Limits

D54 - Academic City Road

D67 - Manama Street

E611 - Emirates Bypass Road

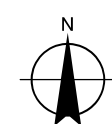
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Road network

FIGURE 2-3

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## 2.4 Project Overview

The estimated nominal design capacity of the WtE plant is 5,000 tonnes per day (tpd), consisting of five lines, each with an operating capacity of 1,000 tpd. With this projected MSW throughput, there will be an estimated 200 MW of electricity generated to the local grid.

The electrical energy to be generated by the proposed WtE Plant will be exported to the electrical grid of DEWA located approximately 3 km south of the Project.

The Al Aweer STP located immediate west of the Project site is intended to provide treated sewage effluent (TSE) to the WtE Plant (as their main process water source) and to receive sanitary waste water (no process water) from the WtE Plant. No sewage sludge from Al Aweer STP will be treated nor sent from WtE plant to Al Aweer STP, no steam generated by the WtE plant will be delivered to any external party.

A summary of the key performance data of the proposed Project is provided in Table 2-6.

Table 2-6 Key performance data of proposed Dubai WtE Project

| Performance data                               | Unit        | Per 1 line         | Per 5 lines |
|--|-------------|--------------------|-------------|
| Design waste throughput capacity (LP N*)       | t / h       | 46.3               | 231.5       |
| Daily design waste throughput capacity (LP N*) | t / d       | 1,111              | 5,555       |
| Thermal power                                  | MW          | 122.17             | 610.85      |
| Steam parameters (boiler outlet)               | °C / bar(a) | 432 °C / 77 bar(a) |             |
| Net power production (export to DEWA)          | MW          | 65                 | 171         |
| Wet bottom ash production                      | t / d       | 190                | 950         |

\*LP N stands for nominal load point, which is the design load point of the WtE Plant

Source: HZI and Besix (2016b)

### Operations overview

Relative to operations, the following provides a high level overview:

- Typical Operations Scenario
  - WtE plant operations on a 24-hour, 7-day per week schedule
  - 4 shifts anticipated, each shift to be an estimated 12 hours
- Delivery of MSW from Dubai Municipality
  - MSW deliveries from Dubai Municipality anticipating about 23 waste delivery trucks per hour on average (assuming an average capacity of 10 metric tons per truck); and
  - Approximately 70 waste delivery trucks per hour during peak times (assuming average capacity of 10 metric tons per truck).
- Reference Waste Composition
  - Ash in percent by weight (design estimate): 16%, estimated range of 15 to 22%
  - Moisture in percent by weight (design estimate): 39%, estimated range of 25 to 50%
  - Combustible in percent by weight (design estimate): 45%, estimated range 35 to 53%
  - Net Calorific Value (NCV) in MJ/kg (design estimate): 9.5, estimated range 7.0 to 14.0



- Planned Staggering for Construction and Operation Phases
  - There is planned staggering for the construction and operation of the WtE Plant. Lines 1 and 2 will be the first built and operated; followed by Lines 3, 4 and 5 to be built and operated approximately 6 months later (note: the detailed construction programme is still being developed by HZI and BESIX at the time the SoW Report was prepared for the Project).

## 2.5 Material Balance

The technological concept and the related volume streams of the proposed Project are illustrated in Figure 2-4. The material balance for the Project is presented Figure 2-5. It should be noted that the figures provided in this section are preliminary and will be revised once final design is completed.

The primary input materials include MSW, diesel for start-up and water. The WtE plant with an approximate gross power of 200 MW requiring approximately 5,000 tpd of fuel source (i.e. waste) at a net calorific value (NCV) of 9.5 MJ/kg, approximately 85 to 100 m<sup>3</sup>/hour of water and diesel fuel used for auxiliary burners. Details regarding the gross, parasitic, net power, bottom ash generation are shown in Figure 2-5.

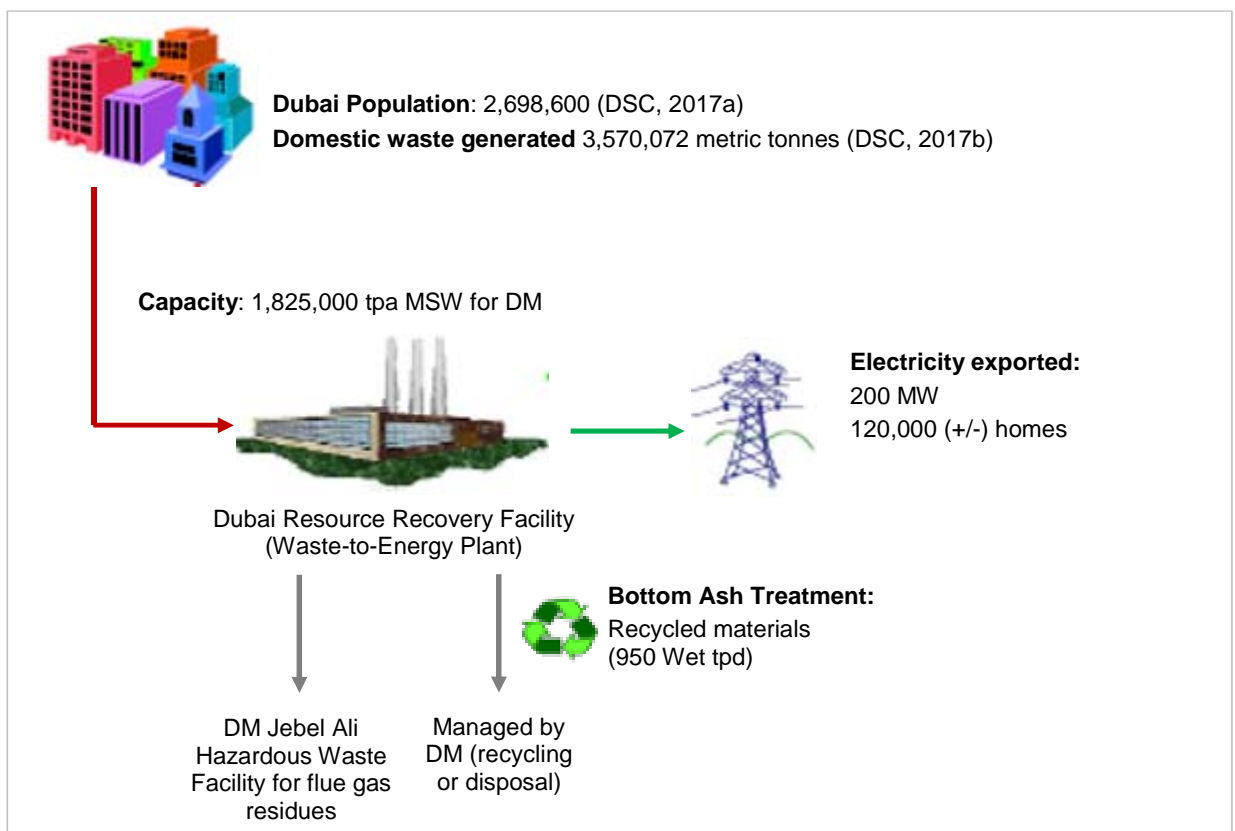


Figure 2-4 Technological concept diagram

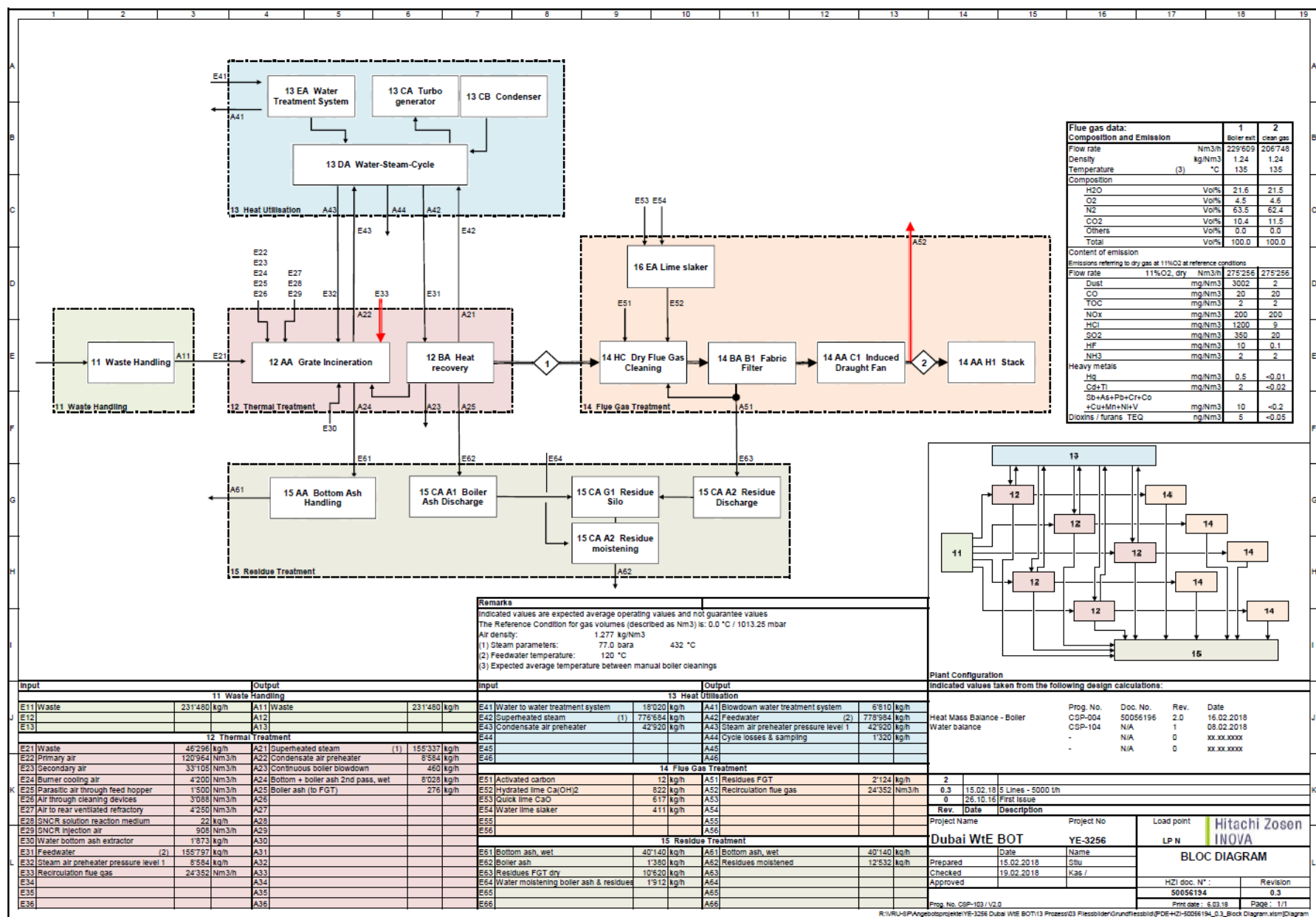


Figure 2-5 Material balance diagram (preliminary design to be finalised)

## 2.6 Technology

As per HZI, the proposed technology is based on the most reliable and continuously improved solution that complies with European Regulations/Industrial Emission Directive (Directive 2010/75/EU), allows for economically and ecologically optimised operation, and provides for maximum flexibility. In 2016 Fichtner, as the technical adviser of DM, defined the IED 2010/75/EU as the basis for the design compliance. The design of the WtE plant, therefore, is based on IED.

The proposed Project consists of five lines each comprising a furnace equipped with the Selective Non Catalytic Reduction (SNCR) process for nitrogen oxide (NO<sub>x</sub>) control, a HZI 4-pass heat recovery boiler, the HZI-dry flue gas treatment system and, for all units, a common water-steam-cycle with an effective turbine-generator set for the heat utilisation.

A block diagram of incinerator-boiler and semi-dry flue gas treatment system is provided in Figure 2-6.

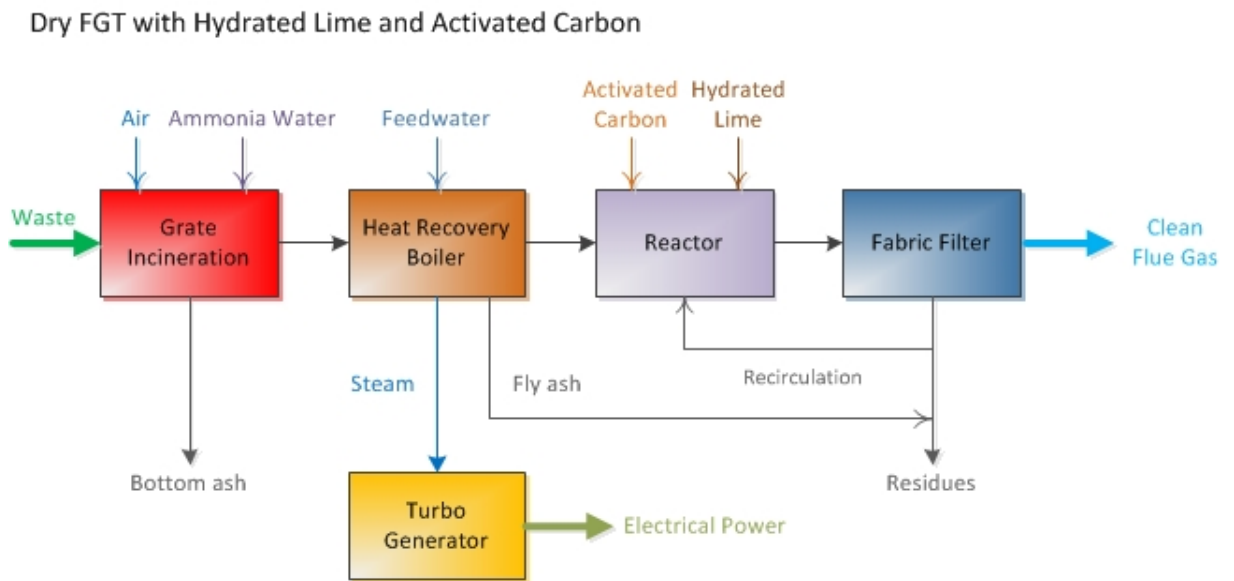


Figure 2-6 Figure of incineration-boiler and semi-dry flue gas treatment system

Source: HZI and Besix (2016a)

### 2.6.1 Waste Handling

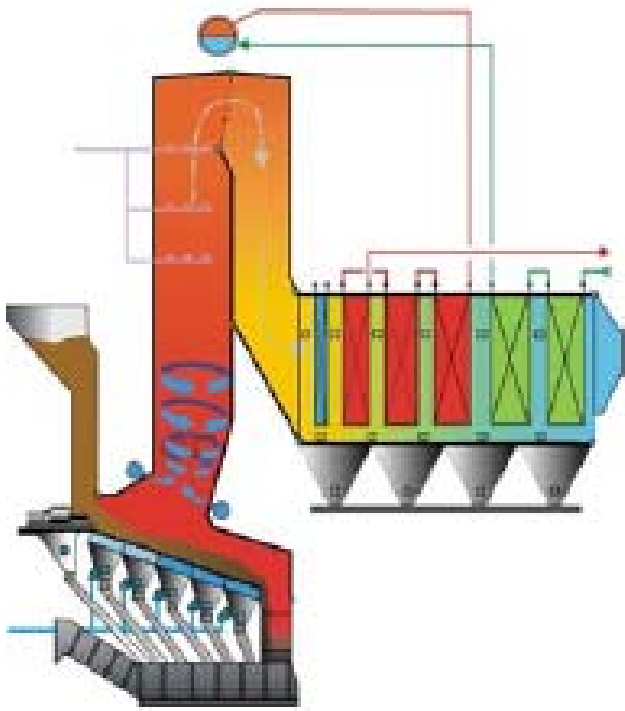
MSW will be sourced from Dubai Municipality. The current location of disposal is the Al Qusais Landfill, which is approximately 13 km north of the Project site. Transportation of MSW will be via the existing routes, but not necessarily rerouted from the landfill because trucks can deliver directly to the WtE plant.

A traffic impact study will be undertaken as part of the EIA to assess the impacts associated with transporting of waste.

At the Project site, the waste handling system will consist of tipping bays, and waste crane. Vehicles can be identified by means of an electronic card (or barcode).

### 2.6.2 Thermal Treatment

Thermal treatment consists of an air-cooled grate, combined with the 4-pass tail end heat recovery boiler, which forms the basis for this Project (Figure 2-7).



**Figure 2-7 Thermal treatment schematic**

For the project: 4 pass heat recovery boiler with 2 vertical empty passes, 1 horizontal pass and 1 vertical economiser pass (VVHV)

Source: HZI and Besix (2016a)

The combustion control is fully automatic (Figure 2-8). The operator only selects the desired steam output and all other parameters (waste feeding, grate speed, amount of combustion air etc.) are handled by the control system itself. This secures that the plant operates continuously at an optimum regarding efficiency, environmental protection and life expectancy of the equipment.

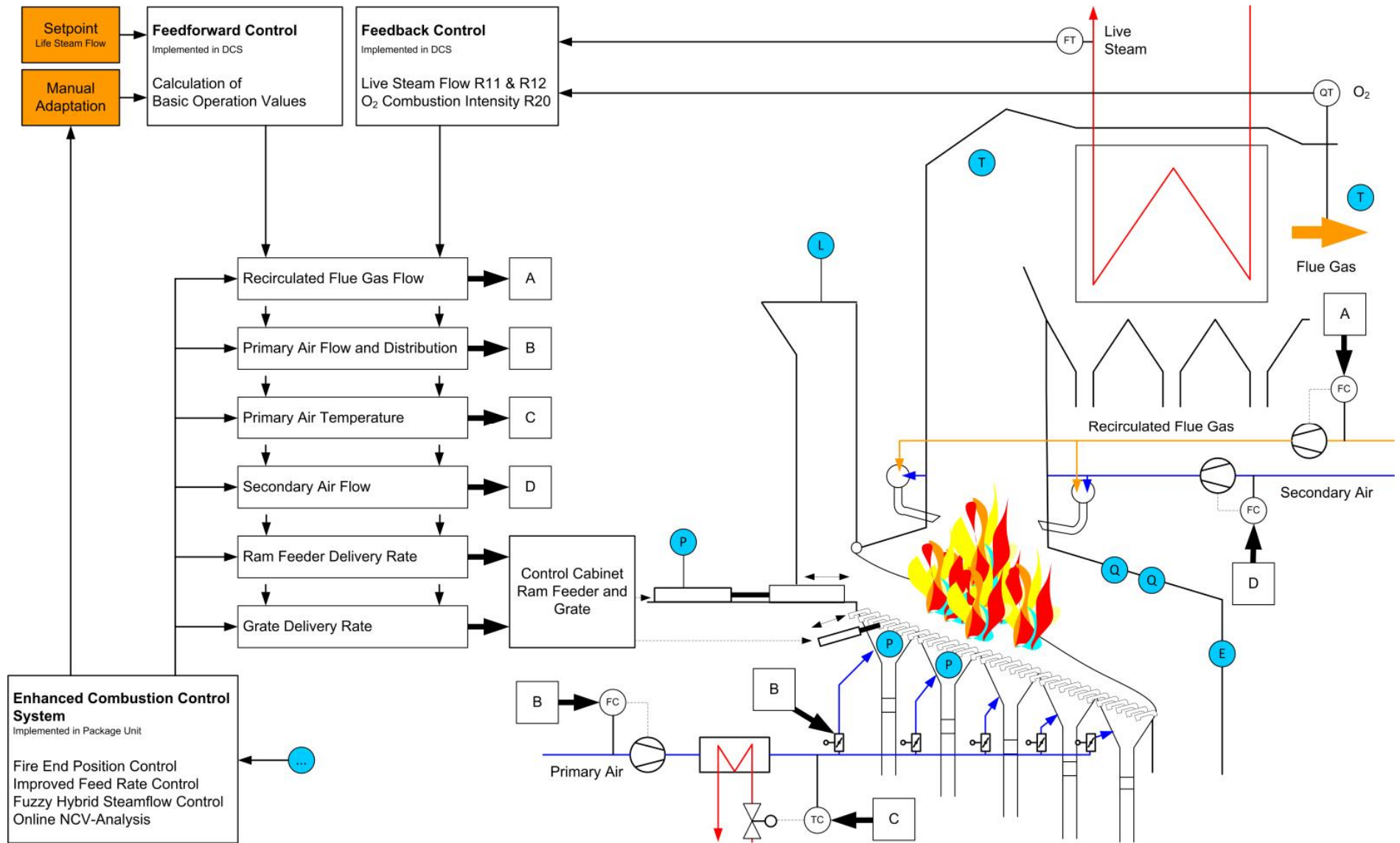


Figure 2-8 Combustion Control System for a 5-zones grate with recirculated flue gas

Source: HZI and Besix (April 2018)



### 2.6.3 Heat Utilisation

The steam is transformed into electrical energy in a turbo-generator set that is used to cover the plant's own electricity needs and to feed the public electric grid (Figure 2-9). The primary elements of the heat utilization include:

- **Turbine Unit.** A steam turbine transforms the thermal energy of the high-pressure steam into a rotary motion and, coupled with a generator, electricity can be produced. Bleed pipes located at three locations on the turbine body allow to extract steam at several pressure levels, so that different internal steam consumers within the WtE plant can be supplied.
- **Control and Lubrication Oil Supply.** This system supplies the turbine with oil to lubricate the bearings of the turbine shaft and to operate the control valves.
- **Generator.** The generator system transforms the mechanical energy into electrical energy.
- **Cooling System.** This is designed as a closed circuit to cool down the oil circuit of the steam turbine, the generator, the steam / water sampler as well as other process equipment that requires active cooling.

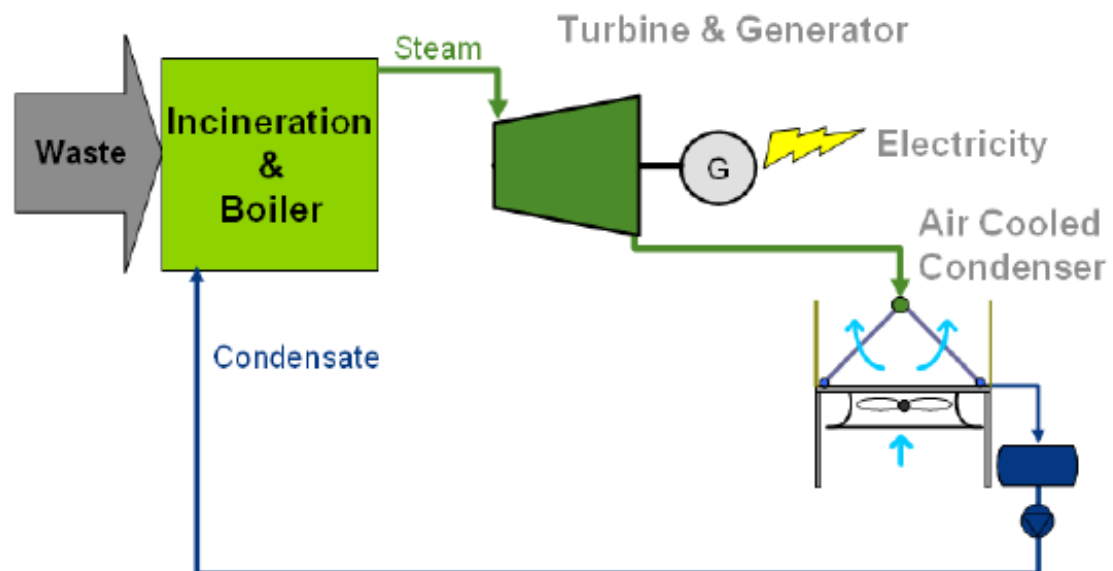


Figure 2-9 Turbine generator within the WtE plant

Source: HZI and Besix (2016b)

### 2.6.4 Flue Gas Treatment

#### 2.6.4.1 Particle Separation

A fabric filter will be used for the separation of solids from the flue gas. In the physical process of separation, the solids are filtrated on the surface of a gas-permeable fabric. Due to the intensive contact of the flue gas and the adsorbents in the filter layer, the removal of pollutants from the flue gas is further improved.

The fabric filter is a pulse jet, multi chamber bag filter with several compartments (Figure 2-10). It is designed to reduce welding work and mounting time on site: the compartments are assembled to a high degree in the workshop, with a positive effect to final quality.



Figure 2-10 Principal function of bag filter and pulse-jet on-line cleaning

Source: HZI and Besix (2016b)

#### **2.6.4.2 Dry Flue Gas Cleaning with Lime and Activated Carbon**

The dry flue gas treatment process is designed by HZI specialists to remove all dust particles, most of the acidic gaseous contaminants by neutralisation with hydrated lime and organic pollutants (PCDD/F) as well as mercury and other heavy metals by adsorption on activated carbon (Figure 2-11). The system consists of a reactor with additive injection, fabric filter for solid-gas separation and residue recirculation. To achieve the best adsorption performance with minimum additive consumption, solids from the fabric filter are recirculated into the reactor.

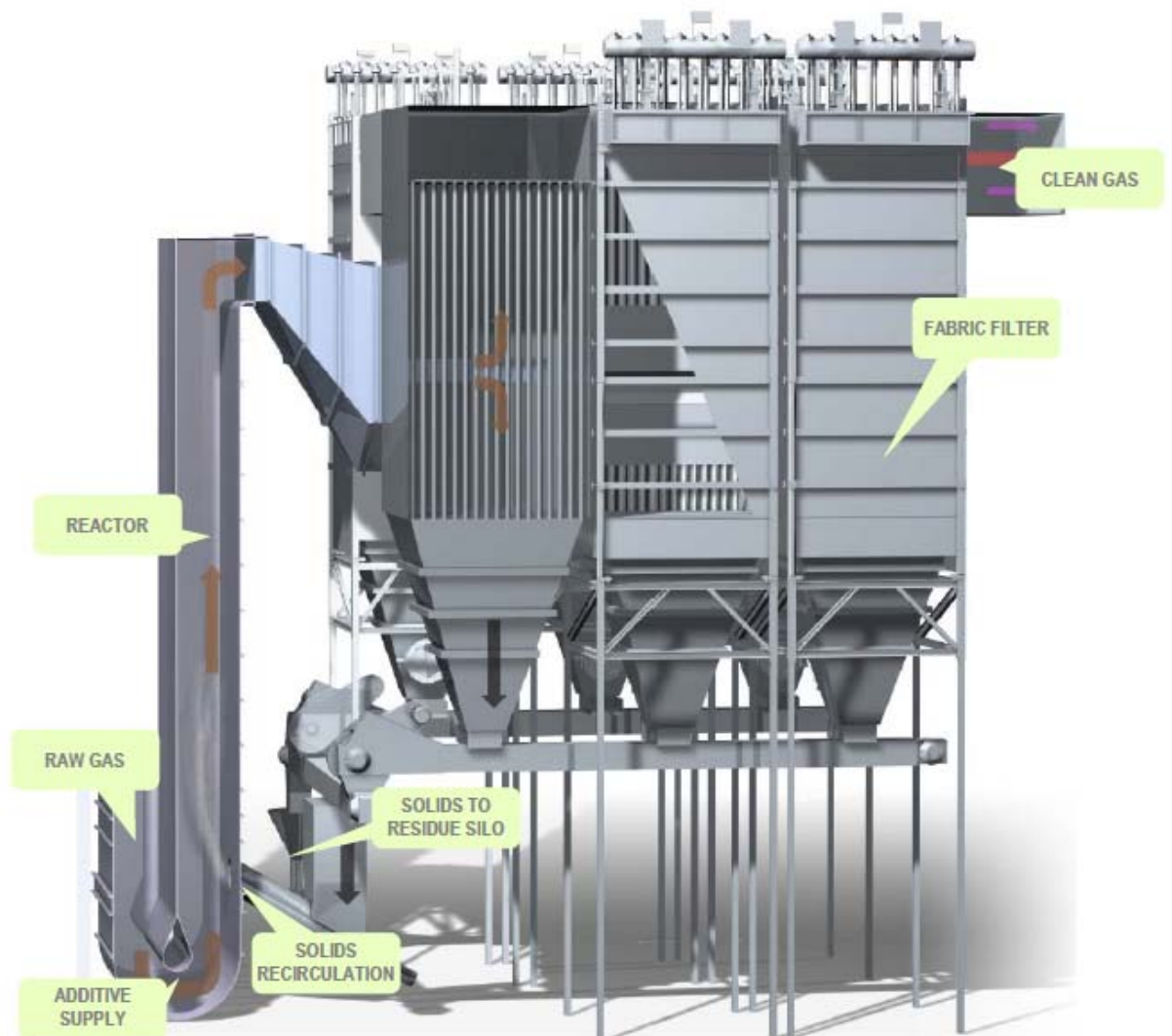


Figure 2-11 Principle of HZI Dry Process – XeroSorp®

Source: HZI and Besix (2018)

The fabric filter separates solid reaction products from the flue gas. Solids collected in the filter hoppers are transported with chain conveyors to collecting bins. From the first collecting bin the solids are recirculated back to the reactor. Overflow residues coming directly from the first to the second collecting bin are pneumatically transported to the residue silos.

## 2.6.5 Residue Treatment

### 2.6.5.1 Bottom Ash

#### *Incinerated Bottom Ash (IBA) Treatment*

The handling system will transport the bottom ash from the extractor to the ash treatment facility and will remove coarse parts from the bottom ash. The bottom ash will be handled through the use of vibrating conveyors.

The incinerated bottom ash (IBA) is transported to the covered area where it is stored up to four days to reduce moisture content to 8 to 12%. At this moisture content, the metal separation is typically more efficient and dust emissions are low.

The IBA will be collected by DM for treatment / disposal. Treatment and final disposal is not included in the scope of the proposed Project; as such a separate approval process will be obtained by DM.

#### **2.6.5.2 Boiler Ash**

##### ***Residue Discharge***

The boiler ash will be discharged and conveyed partly to the ash silo and partly to the bottom ash extractor. The residue from the flue gas treatment are discharged and conveyed to the residue silo.

The residual material discharged from the reactor will be transported into a collecting container via a walking floor, a screw conveyor, impact crusher and a tail end conveyor. The residual material from the fabric bag filters will be fed into the collecting container via residue rotary valves from the recirculation channels.

##### ***Residue Storage Silo***

The residue storage silo is an interim storage for the flue gas treatment residues<sup>3</sup>. Five silos are foreseen for the Project. The silos are placed on an elevated steel structure prepared for direct loading into trucks / to big bags / or to the moistening system for open truck discharge. A continuous weighing device and analogue level measurement are fitted underneath the silo to monitor the filling level of the silo. A binary level switch is installed for overfill protection.

A safety valve is installed to protect the silo against over and under pressure. The entire residue loading is performed locally by the truck driver using a local teach pendant. The silo is designed with a special discharging device. The application of the loading station on the silo truck is carried out locally using a motorised winch. A fluidisation system is fitted in the silo cone to assist the residue discharge.

## **2.7 Project Layout**

A preliminary Project layout is presented in Figure 2-12 (DWG. No. DWE\_CRW\_ARC\_DWG\_10003). The final layout will be provided in the EIA report. The preliminary Project layout is draft, for illustrative purposes, and under further review.

## **2.8 Project Schedule**

The proposed Project is currently in the preparation phase where finance, design, permitting and approval from various government authorities are obtained. Detailed engineering is expected to be completed in Q4 2018. Construction is expected to commence in Q1 2019, and commissioning and trial run is anticipated 36 months after the start of construction.

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<sup>3</sup> On-site FGT residue management will be clarified within the EIA; off-site disposal of FGT residue is under separate review by the DM Waste Management Department (WMD).





### 3. Construction Activities

Given that the Project is still in the concept design phase, detailed information on construction activities and associated methodologies are not available. However, an overview of the general anticipated construction activities is provided below.

- *Site Development Works.* This includes earthmoving, clearing, excavation, fill placement, grading and other ground preparation works.
- *Construction Activities.* This includes construction and installation of the power plant components, its auxiliary and the temporary ash storage facility.

Further detail on the above activities will be provided within the EIA.

#### 3.1 Duration of Construction

As provided in Section 2.7, construction will be completed in approximately 36 months. This includes civil and mechanical construction as well as fabrication. To minimise noise at the Project site, mechanical fabrication will be undertaken outside the site and pre-fabricated materials will be transported.

A detailed traffic route and management plan will be presented in the EIA to address any issues arising from the transport of materials.

#### 3.2 Manpower Requirements

The proponent is committed to enhance socio-economic condition by implementing the Emiratisation Policy, paying appropriate salary and benefits to the workers and minimising environmental and social impacts. It is projected that approximately 500 to 1000 construction workers, both skilled and unskilled, will be required. At certain times, more than 1000 construction workers are estimated during the peak of construction.

#### 3.3 Temporary Facilities

Temporary facilities to be established during the construction phase include laydown and storage areas, security facilities, temporary site offices and water tanks. Temporary laydown areas will be situated within the Project site immediately south and west of the WtE plant while temporary offices will be located north of the facility.

During the construction phase, workers will be housed in existing accommodation facilities outside the Project site. Transportation services to and from the camp will be provided.

## 4. Impact Identification

This section considers the potential environmental and social impacts associated with the construction and operational phases of the proposed Project. Based on the initial site assessment, the environmental sensitive receptors that will be considered in the assessment process are:

- Existing residents in the vicinity of the Project;
- Teachers, students and visitors of the Academic City located around 3 km of the Project;
- Employees and guests at the recreational areas north of the Project;
- Warsan Lake located 2 km of the proposed site; and
- Future workers to be housed at the proposed labour accommodation.

A complete list and location of the identified sensitive receptors are provided in Section 5.3.4.

### 4.1 Construction Phase Impacts

The most significant adverse impacts anticipated as a result of the construction phase of the Project (based on anticipated construction methodologies described in Section 3) are detailed in Table 4-1. It should be noted that is an initial list of impacts and additional impacts may be added once construction methodologies are completed.

Table 4-1 Potential impacts during construction phase

| Environmental and social component | Potential impacts   |
|------------------------------------|---|
| Air                                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Emission of combustion gases and particulates from fuel combustion in fossil fuel running construction vehicles, equipment and machinery / plant</li><li>• Generation of airborne particulates during site clearance and preparation, excavation and filling, open site erosion, concreting and handling and transportation of construction materials</li></ul> |
| Noise                              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Increase in ambient noise levels as a result of increased construction activities</li></ul>   |
| Soil and Groundwater               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Soil erosion</li><li>• Potential soil and groundwater contamination</li></ul>   |
| Waste                              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Generation of construction wastes</li><li>• Increased demand on waste disposal and treatment facilities</li><li>• Deterioration of air quality and increased ambient noise level associated with the transportation of wastes</li></ul>   |
| Utilities                          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Use of water and energy resources, which may cause resource competition with other users / consumers</li></ul>  |
| Traffic                            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Increased strain on existing traffic infrastructure as a result of construction traffic accessing the site</li></ul>  |

| Environmental and social component | Potential impacts  |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Socio-Economic                     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Temporary economic benefits (employment and business opportunities) (positive impact)</li> <li>• Utilisation of existing site facilities (e.g. road, place of worship, transportation, residential units) used by community at the adjacent areas</li> <li>• Exposure of workers and community to health (air emission and noise generation) and safety risks (occupational risks, traffic impact)</li> </ul> |

## 4.2 Operation Phase Impacts

The major impacts anticipated as a result of the operation of the Project (based on the initial description provided in Section 2) is provided in Table 4-2. It should be noted that is an initial list of impacts and additional impacts may be included once a complete Project description is available.

Table 4-2 Potential impacts during operation phase

| Environmental and social component | Potential impacts   |
|------------------------------------|---|
| Air                                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Emission of combustion gases and particulates from plant operation</li> <li>• Emission of combustion gases and particulates from fuel combustion in fossil fuel running vehicles and equipment: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Vehicles transporting MSW from landfill to the Project site; and</li> <li>– Vehicles transporting bottom ash and flue gas residue from the Project site to final disposal area.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>                          |
| Noise                              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Operational noise generated by furnace stacks, air-cooled condensers, component coolers, steam valve/pipe, ventilation, boiler, steam turbine, stacker, among others</li> <li>• Traffic noise generated by loading and unloading trucks</li> </ul>   |
| Soil and Groundwater               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Accidental spillage or leakage from storage of waste on site</li> <li>• Inappropriate storage and disposal of waste (e.g. flue gas residue and IBA)</li> </ul>   |
| Waste                              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Overall reduction of waste disposed to the landfill (positive impact)</li> <li>• Generation of operation wastes (e.g. food and office waste, IBA residue, flue gas residue, sewage)</li> <li>• Increased demand on waste disposal and treatment facilities (i.e. landfilling of IBA and hazardous waste facility for flue gas residue)</li> <li>• Deterioration of air quality and increased ambient noise level associated with the transportation of wastes</li> </ul> |

| Environmental and social component | Potential impacts  |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Utilities                          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Plant operation is considered to have a significant impact in terms of energy efficiency, diversification of energy and contribution to additional power supply (positive impact)</li> <li>• Use of water resources, which may cause resource competition with other users / consumers</li> </ul>   |
| Traffic                            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increased strain on existing traffic infrastructure as a result of construction traffic accessing the site: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Vehicles transporting MSW from landfill to the Project site; and</li> <li>– Vehicles transporting bottom ash and flue gas residue from the Project site to final disposal area.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
| Socio-Economic                     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provision of long-term employment opportunities (positive impact)</li> <li>• Reduction of Dubai's reliance on energy supplied by other emirates</li> <li>• Occupational and community health (air emissions and noise generation) and safety (heat, electrical, traffic) risks</li> </ul>   |

## 5. EIA Methodology

### 5.1 EIA Objective

The EIA Report will be undertaken in accordance with all the Dubai Municipality Environmental Planning and Studies Section (DM-EPSS) Technical Guideline No. 2 *EIA Requirements for Land Development, Infrastructure and Utility Projects* (January 2017) as well as international guidelines such as the IFC Performance Standards 1 to 8 (effective January 2012) and the Equator Principles 1 to 10 (effective June 2013).

The EIA will be developed with the following objectives:

- Undertake the EIA in a manner that is consistent with the regulatory requirements of DM-ED in order to obtain approval (e.g. Conditional Environmental Clearance (CEC)) from DM-EPSS as the first step in the approvals process to obtain a No Objection Certificate (NOC) for the construction and development of the WtE plant.
- Identify potential significant environmental, social and cultural impacts associated with both the construction and operational phases of the proposed Project and develop corresponding mitigation measures to reduce, offset and, where possible, eliminate negative environmental impacts.
- Develop an Environmental and Social Management and Monitoring Plan as part of the EIA that provides a framework for environmental management and/or monitoring during both the construction and operational phases of the Project.
- Develop an EIA report that provides relevant stakeholders with a thorough understanding of the key elements, impacts and mitigation measures of the proposed Project.

### 5.2 EIA Scope

Given the existing site conditions, project nature and likely environmental impacts of the Project, the EIA will focus on the following aspects, which are considered to be significantly impacted if appropriate mitigation measures are not implemented:

- Air Quality;
- Noise;
- Water resources (reuse);
- Subsurface soils;
- Water quality (surface waters and groundwater);
- Waste management;
- Traffic; and
- Social.

The proposed Project will be located within an industrial area; as such, significant impacts are not considered on the aspects listed below. Nevertheless, these aspects will be addressed at a high level in the EIA report:

- Climate and meteorology;
- Geology, seismicity;
- Biodiversity and conservation;



- Land use, landscape and visual impact; and
- Archaeology and cultural resources.

The Project is located approximately 20 km away from the coastal area of Dubai. Further, the potential impacts on water quality, soil and groundwater are expected to be localised and therefore, the coastal area is not anticipated to be impacted. As such, marine ecosystem is excluded from the scope of the EIA.

The nature of the Project requires that baseline information be gathered via the following mechanisms:

- Literature review, principally of previous environmental assessments undertaken by GHD and others (e.g. existing industrial facilities surrounding the project site) in determining the proposed location of the Project;
- Consultation with DM and consultants (appointed by HZI to conduct other surveys / modelling for the Project);
- Initial walkover assessment of areas surrounding the Project site; and
- Field surveys to collect environmental baseline data.

Furthermore, a literature review of existing data or the use of data from public sources, such as Dubai Airport Meteorological and Dubai Statistics Centre (DSC), will be used.

### 5.3 EIA Process

The key process of an EIA comprise:

- Liaising with DM-ED;
- Literature review;
- Review of legislative framework;
- Identification of sensitive receptors;
- Baseline data collection;
- Impact prediction / assessment and evaluation of findings;
- Identification of mitigation measures;
- Establishment of an EMMP; and
- Identification of project alternatives.

A description of how each of the above items will be undertaken is detailed in Sections 5.3.1 to 5.3.11, while further detail on the environmental baseline collection and impact assessment methodologies for each environmental aspect is provided in Section 6.

Any limitations associated with preparation of this study will be clearly defined within the EIA report. The extent to which study limitations may influence the conclusions of the environmental assessment will also be presented and discussed.

#### 5.3.1 Liaising with DM-ED

In order to engage DM-ED early on in the project, a technical scoping meeting will be requested between the DM-ED, the EPC and the EIA Team. The EPC and the EIA Team will provide an introduction to the proposed Project, the proposed EIA methodology and schedule. All submissions to the DM-ED will be made in writing for formal review and acceptance.

### 5.3.2 Literature Review

A literature review will be carried out to identify the status of the Project site, its surroundings and the identified environmental sensitive receptors. The literature review will include, but will not be limited to, a review of aerial photography, EIA reports for development projects near the proposed Project site, journals, environmental monitoring results issued by DM and the UAE Ministry of Environment and Water, information published by the DSC and theme maps (where available).

The following studies will be requested from DM-ED:

- Historic environmental studies for the Project site (if any);
- Environmental studies undertaken for adjacent facilities (if available);
- Environmental monitoring, including weather data, from adjacent facilities (if available); and
- Land use plan of Dubai, including proposed developments surrounding the Project (if any).

### 5.3.3 Review of Legislative Framework

The EIA will identify and discuss the relevant federal, local and international laws and guidelines expected to govern the environmental performance of the Project, including:

- UAE federal laws;
- Dubai Emirate's legislation, policies and procedures; and
- Relevant international conventions and guidelines.

Specific environmental standards and guidelines will be compiled to provide quick reference for the evaluation of baseline survey results and later environmental monitoring.

### 5.3.4 Identification of Sensitive Receptors

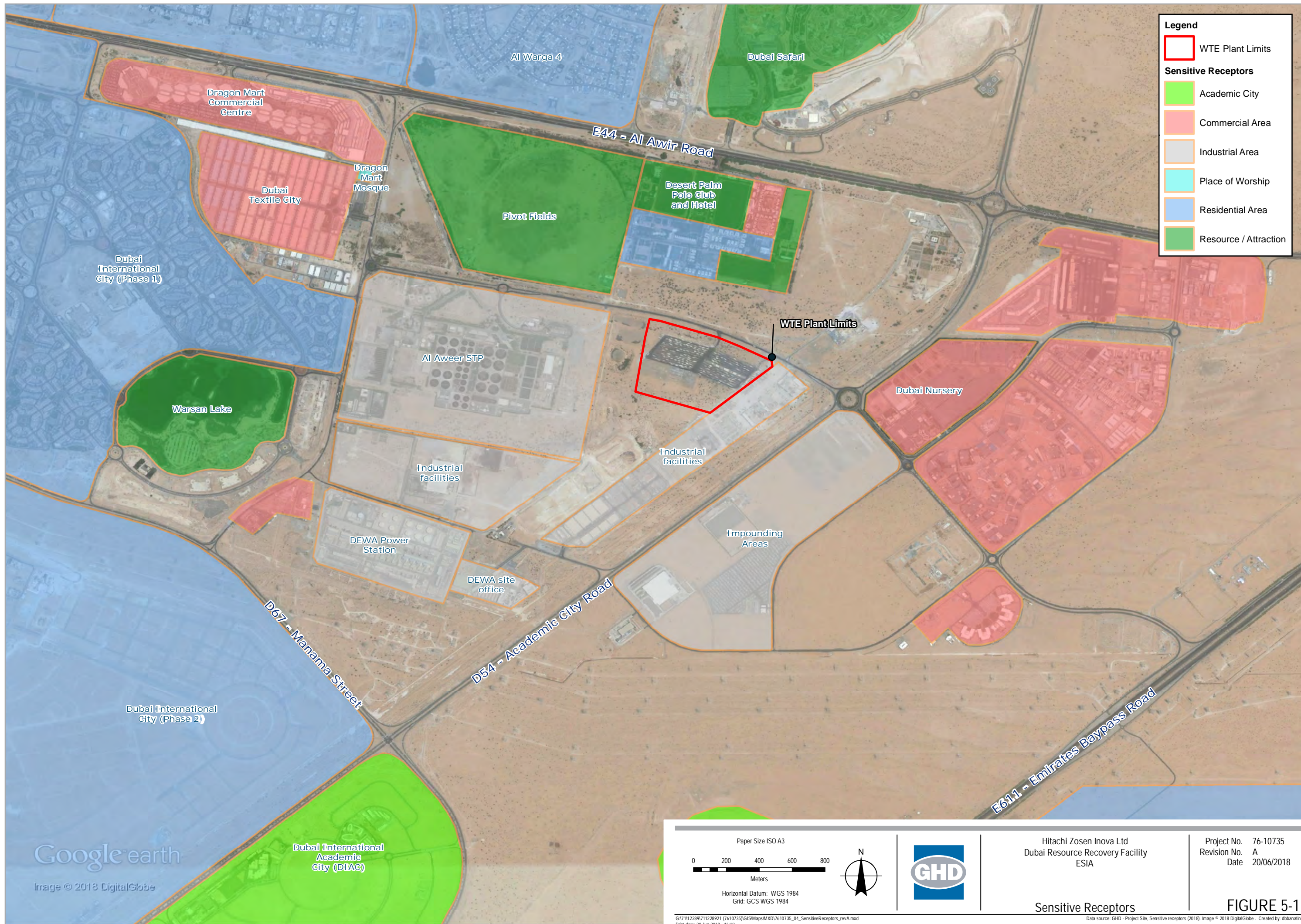
Based on the initial site assessments, the primary sensitive receptors during the construction and operation phases of the Project are considered to be:

- Existing residents in the vicinity of the Project:
  - DIC Phase 1 – approximately 2 km west of the proposed site;
  - Al Warqa 4 Neighbourhood – approximately 2 km north of the proposed site; and
  - International City Phase 2 (under construction) – approximately 3 km southwest of the proposed site.
- Teachers, students and visitors of the DIAC located approximately 3 km south of the Project. Academic institutions include Manipal University, Birla Institute of Technology and Science, Heriot-Watt University, American University in the Emirates, Amity University Dubai, Emirates Aviation University, University of Dubai, Dubai English Speaking College, Zayed University, and International Center for Biosaline.
- Employees and guests at the recreational and commercial areas surrounding the Project.
- Al Warsan Lake located 1.85 km west of the proposed site.
- Employees and worshippers at the Dragon Mart Mosque located around 1.8 km northwest of the site.
- Workers to be housed at the proposed labour accommodation during the operation phase, which will be located adjacent the proposed WtE plant.

An assessment of the sensitive receptors most at risk from the Project will be included within the EIA. Further, air and noise baseline data collection will be undertaken at select sensitive receptor locations to assess potential impacts during the construction and operation phases of the Project.

The geographical scope for the EIA includes the areas directly under the Project footprint, the extent of potential impact areas (as predicted by modelling), and the wider area (e.g. socio-economic and traffic impact).







### 5.3.5 Baseline Data Collection

Baseline assessments form the backbone of environmental assessments, with data collection required to provide an accurate indication of the condition of environmental systems prior to development. Baseline data will be used to make predictions on the degree of impact associated with the construction and operation of the Project, and will help dictate the degree of mitigation and monitoring required to minimise the negative environmental impact of the Project.

Baseline surveys that will be undertaken for the EIA are provided Table 5-1. Proposed locations and detailed methodologies for baseline sampling are provided in Section 6.

In parallel with the EIA study, GHD is assisting HZI for preparation of a Stakeholder Engagement Plan (SEP) as a separate document for review by the project lenders. This is not part of the scope of review by DM.

Table 5-1 Sampling breakdown for baseline surveys

| Parameter                          | Total No. locations  |
|------------------------------------|--|
| <b><i>Air</i></b>                  |  |
| Air Monitoring                     | 3 locations  |
| <b><i>Odour</i></b>                |  |
| Odour monitoring                   | 4 locations  |
| <b><i>Noise</i></b>                |  |
| Noise Monitoring                   | 4 locations  |
| <b><i>Soil and Groundwater</i></b> |  |
| Phase 1 site survey                | Half-day Phase 1 site survey   |
| Soil sampling and analysis         | 10 grab samples<br>(2 locations per boring, plus 2 surface soil samples) |
| Groundwater sampling and analysis  | 4 grab samples<br>(1 location per bore hole)                             |
| <b><i>Terrestrial</i></b>          |  |
| Terrestrial environment            | One-day site assessment of the Project footprint                         |
| <b><i>Dioxins and Furans</i></b>   |  |
| Realtime active sampling           | 2 locations  |

### 5.3.6 Impact Identification

Potential impacts will be identified through an assessment of planned activities associated with construction and operational activities, but also unplanned activities that can also affect sensitive receptors and environmental aspects. Credible unplanned activities will be determined and assessed similarly to planned activities.

### 5.3.7 Impact Prediction and Assessment

Key findings of the impact identification and evaluation will be presented in tabulated form classifying the relevant environmental significance of each impact. Each environmental impact associated with the proposed development will be rated in terms of the level of significance of the impact on the environment or other identified receptors. The existing site conditions and surrounding land-uses will influence the hazard assessment.

Mitigation strategies, where appropriate, will be defined and the impact of the mitigation rated in general terms. Taking the mitigation impact into account, a final discussion regarding the significance rating for each residual, unavoidable or cumulative impact will be provided, and results tabulated.

The degree of impacts associated with the Project both prior to and following implementation of mitigation measures will be assessed. Assessment of the level of impact is based on two criteria:

- Likelihood of the impact occurring – rare, unlikely, possible, likely or almost certain (Appendix B Table B-8-1); and
- Consequence of the impact – insignificant, minor, moderate, major or catastrophic (Appendix B Table B-8-2).

The impact significance level is then based on the following calculation:

$$\text{Significance of impact} = \text{Likelihood Level} \times \text{Consequence Level}$$

Based on the above calculation, the level of the impact is classified in the following five levels and can be expressed in a matrix (Table 5-2):

- Extreme
- High
- Medium
- Low
- Negligible.

Table 5-2 Significance of environmental impact matrix

| Likelihood Rating  | Consequence Rating |            |              |           |                  |
|--------------------|--------------------|------------|--------------|-----------|------------------|
|                    | 1 = Insignificant  | 2 = Minor  | 3 = Moderate | 4 = Major | 5 = Catastrophic |
| 5 = Almost Certain | Low                | Medium     | High         | Extreme   | Extreme          |
| 4 = Likely         | Low                | Medium     | High         | High      | Extreme          |
| 3 = Possible       | Negligible         | Low        | Medium       | High      | High             |
| 2 = Unlikely       | Negligible         | Low        | Medium       | Medium    | High             |
| 1 = Rare           | Negligible         | Negligible | Low          | Medium    | Medium           |

Overall, the following will be considered in the evaluation of impacts:

- Direct / indirect impacts
- Adverse / beneficial impacts
- Temporary, short-term or long-term impacts
- Reversible / irreversible impacts

- Cumulative impacts over time (as well as the combined impacts of the proposed project with existing developments and other land use activities in the project areas)

#### 5.3.8 Identification of Mitigation Measures

The EIA will develop and recommend mitigation measures to avoid, reduce or offset the identified environmental impacts. These will be categorised according to “clearly defined” and “ongoing” mitigating measures.

The recommended mitigation measures will be developed with the following objectives:

- Avoidance or prevention, where possible, of negative impacts;
- Reduce likelihood, frequency and severity of negative impacts;
- Enhance positive impacts; and
- Maximise the probability of Project compliance with the relevant environmental regulatory requirements.

The EIA will identify and evaluate the final residual environmental impacts that are anticipated after the mitigation measures have been implemented.

#### 5.3.9 Development of Environmental Management and Monitoring Plan (EMMP)

All identified and assessed mitigation measures will form the basis of a framework EMMP for the construction and operation phases of the development. In addition, the framework EMMP will determine and integrate potential ways and means to facilitate Project compliance with relevant DM regulations, policies and guidelines.

The EMMP will provide an adequate mechanism for:

- Maximising the probability of Project compliance with relevant DM standards for the management and mitigation procedures and processes required;
- Monitoring the implementation and effectiveness of proposed mitigation measures; and
- Monitoring residual wastewater discharge, air emissions, noise level generation, etc.

The EMMP will also define roles and responsibilities for implementing the recommended mitigation measures, carrying out monitoring activities, preparation of environmental reports and performing environmental audits throughout the Project phases.

#### 5.3.10 Identification of Project Alternatives

The EIA report will present the alternatives examined in the course of developing the proposed Project. A comparative discussion of the advantages and disadvantages of each alternative will be discussed in sufficient detail as to enable an understanding of the reasons for preferring certain options and courses of action. In order to demonstrate environmental conditions without the Project, a “No Project” alternative will also be considered, and will be assessed against the “With the Project” alternative.

#### 5.3.11 Key Deliverables

The key deliverables of the proposed Project will include the following:

- Draft SoW for the EIA (for DM-ED comment) (this report);
- Final SoW for the EIA (incorporating DM-ED’s comments, if any; and for DM-ED approval prior to conduct of EIA);

- Draft EIA Report (for DM-ED comment); and
- Final EIA Report (incorporating DM-ED's comments, if any; and for DM-ED approval and issuance of Certificate of Environmental Condition (CEC)).

The contents of the EIA Report will be in accordance with Annex I “Contents Outline of an Environmental Impact Assessment Report” of the DM-EPSS Technical Guideline No. 2 (TG 2) – *EIA Requirements for Land Development, Infrastructure, and Utility Projects* (January 2017).



## 6. Environmental Baseline Data Collection and Impact Prediction Approach

This section describes the environmental baseline data collection and impact prediction approaches that will be undertaken in developing the EIA Report.

### 6.1 Climate and Meteorology

#### 6.1.1 Desktop Review

In describing the existing regional climate and meteorology, the EIA will utilize available information from Dubai Municipality (e.g. Dubai Airport Meteorological data). The information will include at a minimum, data on:

- Rainfall;
- Temperature (maximum and minimum);
- Relative humidity;
- Wind conditions (direction and speed);
- Net radiation; and
- Atmospheric stability.

This data will assist in the evaluation of potential impacts on air quality, noise and storm event runoff. These studies will also include the identification of any climatic conditions that may influence the air quality at the Project site.

#### 6.1.2 Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Inventory

Given the scale of the Project, generation of GHGs during both construction and operation phases are reasonably anticipated. Through design, material selection and construction procedures, it is possible to minimize possible GHG emissions. Furthermore, there are comparative advantages of employing WTE technologies as opposed to landfilling when considering “net” life-cycle GHG impacts to the environment.

The proposed GHG assessment will consider emissions from the following sources:

- Construction:
  - Fuel and electricity consumption during construction activities; and
  - Construction personnel commuting.
- Operation (annual emission):
  - Energy (fuel and electricity) consumption during operation of the WtE plant:
    - materials handling from the waste management facilities (e.g. landfill) to the WtE plant;
    - backup generators; and
    - ancillary electricity use (such as for buildings, ancillary equipment and water treatment plant) and own-use electricity.
  - Sulphur hexafluoride (SF<sub>6</sub>) in electrical equipment
  - Employee commuting

For operational emissions, Scope 1 and 2 emissions will be considered:

- Scope 1: Emissions from direct energy use; and
- Scope 2: Indirect energy use from imports and exports of electricity, heat or steam.

The predicted annual operational emissions will be compared with the existing landfill disposal of wastes, including:

- Reduction in GHG from avoided transport of wastes to landfill;
- Reduction in GHG from avoided landfill methane emissions; and
- Reduction in GHG emissions from on-site electricity generation displacing existing sources.

#### 6.1.2.1 Methodology

The GHG assessment will be undertaken in accordance with the Intergovernmental Panel for Climate Change (IPCC) guidelines. The following tasks will be undertaken:

- Define an appropriate scope for the assessment, considering the possible emission sources of GHGs, including carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), nitrous oxide (NO<sub>x</sub>), methane (CH<sub>4</sub>), and SF<sub>6</sub>.
- Identify relevant aspects of energy use and emissions from construction and operation.
- Identify and apply appropriate international emission factors. If required information is not available in a reasonable time period, GHD will flag this, and make assumptions as appropriate to provide the most reasonable estimate possible.
- Outline the calculation procedures used to create the GHG emissions inventory.
- Determine the CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent emissions for each GHG and sum these values to estimate the total GHG emissions attributable to the project.
- Discuss potential GHG mitigation and reduction opportunities.
- Determine the Impact Assessment Significance Score.
- Provide input to the EMMP.
- Scope 3 emissions are not be considered for the Project because they are not required by DM.

## 6.2 Air Quality

The air quality data for the proposed Project site will be acquired via the following means:

- Undertaking a field survey to monitor and define baseline ambient air quality; and
- A review of historical data provided by DM-ED or available via DSC.

### 6.2.1 Baseline Ambient Air Monitoring

A two-week baseline real-time continuous monitoring programme is proposed for three locations as illustrated in Figure 6-1 and discussed in Table 6-1. The monitoring parameters and methodologies are provided in Table 6-2. The parameters to be monitored are based on UAE Federal Ambient Air Quality Standards.



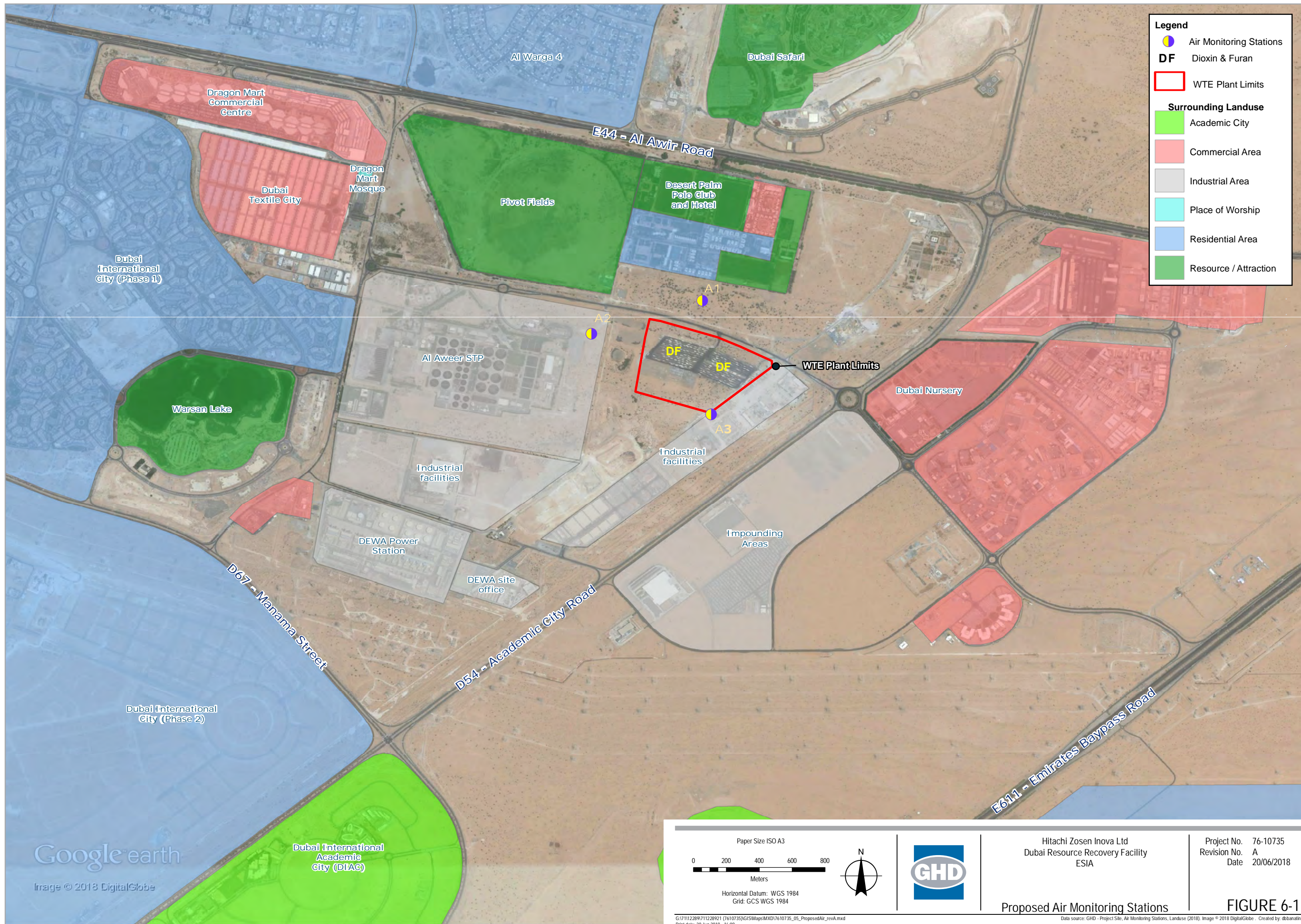




Table 6-1 Description of proposed air monitoring stations

| Monitoring station                   | Description   |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| Station A1<br>(25.162863; 55.444350) | Station A1 is located between the project site and the existing Desert Palm Dubai Resort and Hotel. This station represents the closest sensitive receptor to the Project site, and includes residential uses (i.e. located inside the Desert Palm Dubai Resort and Hotel).   |
| Station A2<br>(25.161046; 55.438407) | Station A2 is located between the Project site and existing Al Aweer STP. During the initial site walkthrough, GHD personnel observed prevailing wind direction from the STP towards the proposed WtE plant. Therefore, there is a need to consider the up-gradient wind impacts from the existing facilities to the west. There is also a new commercial building being developed to the northwest of the area. Furthermore, the existing DIC Phase 1 is further to the west, and A2 should be between the DIC Phase 1 and the proposed WtE plant. |
| Station A3<br>(25.156631; 55.444078) | Station A3 is located in the vicinity of the southeast edge of the site, nearby existing concrete producing facilities. This air monitoring station is located down-wind of the project.  |

Table 6-2 Proposed air quality monitoring methodology

| Parameter                              | Methodology   |
|--|---|
| Particulate Matter (PM <sub>10</sub> ) | PM <sub>10</sub> and TSP will be drawn through a conditioned glass fibre filter paper at the flow rate of 1.10 – 1.4 m <sup>3</sup> per minute using a high volume air sampler. The amount of PM <sub>10</sub> collected in the glass fibre filter paper will be determined gravimetrically by the weight difference before and after sampling.                                   |
| Total Suspended Particles (TSP)        |   |
| Oxides of Nitrogen (NO <sub>x</sub> )  | NO <sub>x</sub> will be determined by bubbling the air at a rate of one litre per minute through a sodium hydroxide and sodium arsenite midget impinger using a high volume air sampler. The nitrogen dioxide present will react with the sodium hydroxide and sodium arsenite to form a stable solution of sodium nitrite, which will be determined through a spectrophotometer. |
| Sulphur Dioxide (SO <sub>2</sub> )     | SO <sub>2</sub> will be determined by bubbling the air at a rate of one litre per minute through a tetrachloromercurate (TCM) in midget impinger using a high volume air sampler. The sulphur dioxide present will react to the TCM to form a stable solution of monochlorosulphiomercurate, which will be determined through a spectrophotometer.                                |
| Total Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC) | A known volume of air will be drawn using a sampling pump at 0.5-1liter/min. The sample will be adsorbed on activated charcoal tubes using a high/low volume air sampler with a rota meter. The VOC present will be adsorbed by the activated charcoal tubes  |



| Parameter               | Methodology  |
|-------------------------|--|
|                         | and analysed using the gas chromatography method after they are desorbed by desorbing agents.  |
| Carbon monoxide (CO)    | Air will be absorbed at a definite flow rate through a portable digital gas meter that can detect the CO concentration.  |
| Ozone (O <sub>3</sub> ) | O <sub>3</sub> will be determined by bubbling the air at a rate of one litre per minute through 1% potassium iodide in midget impinger using a high volume air sampler. The ozone present will react with the potassium iodide to form a tri-iodide ion, which will be determined through a spectrophotometer. |

### 6.2.2 Dioxin and Furans

The intent of this baseline survey is for a limited observational period of up to two (2 No.) months duration and at up to two (No. 2) locations, in line with the timeline for the EIA study.

There is not an existing guideline for ambient air monitoring of dioxins and furans in the Emirate of Dubai, so this represents a new precedent for the Project. Accordingly, we propose the use of international standards by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA), as recommended by Exova, a DAC qualified laboratory.

The duration for sample collection is usually defined by detection limits and in consideration of the proximity or relative contribution of "source generators" for the emissions of interest. Specifically, the sample duration is specified considering a toxic equivalency, which can be measured by accumulating analytes in a high volume sampler over specified duration.

**Table 6-3 Location and Duration**

| Location    | Sampling approach | Duration of sampling | Number of sampling events |
|-------------|-------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|
| 2 Locations | Realtime active   | 24 hours             | 2 sample events           |

The sample equipment, analysis and reporting will be provided by Exova who is a DAC-registered laboratory, and testing analysis shall be completed in accordance with US EPA Method TO-9A.

- Use of high volume samplers (HVS) and poly-urethane foam (PUF) sampling heads.
- Estimated 2 to 3 weeks for scope approval by DM-EPSS
- Estimated 3 weeks for site equipment provided from outside of UAE
- Estimated 1 to 2 weeks for equipment installation at site
- For each unit, a portable power system will be required from HZI/Besix (generator, or equivalent) to power the unit.

**Table 6-4 Parameters and Equipment**

| Parameter        | Equipment  |
|------------------|--|
| Dioxin and Furan | High volume samplers (HVS) and poly-urethane foam (PUF) sampling heads |

Table 6-5 Dioxin and Furans to be considered

| Analyte             | WHO-97 TEF <sup>(1)</sup> |
|---------------------|---------------------------|
| 2,3,7,8-TCDD        | 1                         |
| 1,2,3,7,8- PeCDD    | 1                         |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDD   | 0.1                       |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDD   | 0.1                       |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDD   | 0.1                       |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDD | 0.01                      |
| OCDD                | 0.0001                    |
| 2,3,7,8-TCDF        | 0.1                       |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeCDF     | 0.05                      |
| 2,3,4,7,8-PeCDF     | 0.5                       |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDF   | 0.1                       |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDF   | 0.1                       |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDF   | 0.1                       |
| 2,3,4,6,7,8-HxCDF   | 0.1                       |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDF | 0.01                      |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8,9-HpCDF | 0.01                      |
| OCDF                | 0.0001                    |

<sup>(1)</sup> WHO-97 TEF means World Health Organization (1997) Total Equivalency Factor

The data obtained will be attached to the EIA report.

*Note: The data will be included in the EIA as an attachment. No comparative analysis, cumulative impact assessment, quantitative (e.g., modelling), or semi-quantitative analysis will be completed.*

### 6.2.3 Historical Data Collection

In addition to the proposed baseline survey, historical air monitoring data available for Dubai will be reviewed (where available). Historical monitoring data will supplement data collected by GHD and provide a broader picture of conditions in the area around the project site and information required for air impact modelling against which potential impacts can be assessed.

### 6.2.4 Air Quality Assessment

The air quality of the proposed project site and its surrounding will be assessed against:

- Ambient Air Quality Standards specified in Regulation concerning Protection of Air from Pollution (Council of Ministers Decree No. (12) of 2006) – UAE Federal Law; and
- DM ambient air quality standards.

### 6.2.5 Impact Prediction and Assessment

The EIA will generally identify the potential sources of air emissions during the construction and operation phases of the Project, and discuss their likely impacts on the sensitive receivers identified in the immediate vicinity of the Project site.

Quantitative assessment will be undertaken to predict the impacts of the proposed Project on ambient air quality. The methodology for air impact modelling (dispersion) is provided below.

#### 6.2.4.1 Air Impact Modelling

The purpose of the air dispersion modelling is to assess predicted pollutant ground level concentrations (GLCs) on nearby sensitive receivers.

The air assessment will be completed as follows:

- Meteorological data will be used to develop a meteorological input file for the AERMOD dispersion model.
- Source emissions data provided by the HZI in the form of expected emissions or vendor emissions specifications to calculate emission rates for each operating source. Emission characteristics such as stack height, stack diameter, stack exit temperature and exhaust flow rate, will be provide by HZI and used to characterise emissions in AERMOD.
- Significant buildings and structures will be incorporated into the model to account for possible building wake effects and potential resultant grounding of the plume.
- Air dispersion modelling will be completed for one scenario with the WtE plant operating at full capacity and in a “worst case” scenario.
- Model predicted GLCs will be assessed against relevant ambient air quality and occupational exposure criterion, including:
  - Ministerial Order No. 12, 2006, (Air Pollution Control);
  - US Occupational Health & Safety Administration (OSHA), 29 CFR, Part 1910; and
  - US EPA National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) 40 CFR Part 50.
- A report will be prepared outlining meteorological file development, source emission characterisation, air dispersion modelling and assessment against relevant criteria. This will be incorporated into the EIA.

Air modelling excludes review of storage areas, such as bottom ash storage or FGT residue storage area.

## 6.3 Odour Assessment

### 6.3.1 Field Observations via Deployment of Odour Monitoring Stations (Ambient Air)

Provide one (1) environmental scientist over half day to complete site visit to document odour perception during the deployment of odour monitoring stations.

Allow for the deployment of four (No. 4) odour monitoring stations (Table 6-6). The monitoring programme will follow the sample numbers as detailed in the table below. The testing will be conducted following the requirements specified in the local regulations on indoor air quality. Reported results will be benchmarked against air quality standards where they exist, reference being made to relevant international standards (if available).

Table 6-6 Odour Monitoring Review

| Number of locations | Parameters to be tested  | Duration of sampling per location | Number of sample events |
|---------------------|--|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 4 Locations         | H <sub>2</sub> S, NH <sub>3</sub> , Mercaptans, Dimethyl Suphide, Dimethyl disulphide, VOC | 8 hours                           | 1 event                 |

Table 6-7 Odour Monitoring Parameters

| Parameter        | Technique            | Instrument                        |
|------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| H <sub>2</sub> S | Electrochemical cell | Graywolf analyser                 |
| NH <sub>3</sub>  | Electrochemical cell | Graywolf analyser                 |
| Mercaptans       | Pumped Filter        | Treated filter with GCMS analysis |
| VOCs             | Realtime PID         | Graywolf analyser                 |
| DMS/DMDS         | Pumped Tube          | Charcoal tube with GCMS analysis  |

### 6.3.2 Desktop Data Analysis and Literature Review

Reference odour emission rates from other odour assessment data sources (landfill tipping face, landfill capped areas, landfill gas, leachate), consider the relevance of olfactory studies for previous sites.

### 6.3.3 Qualitative Impact Analysis (added to overall EIA Study)

After completion of the desktop data analysis, GHD will undertake a qualitative impact analysis relative to odours, and in consideration of odour mitigation measures considered for the project and as specified by the design engineers.

The findings will be presented in the EIA report.

## 6.4 Noise

### 6.4.1 Baseline Ambient Noise Assessment

A baseline noise survey is proposed for the EIA at four locations as illustrated in Figure 6-2. The selection of noise monitoring locations is based on the presence of Noise Sensitive Receptors (NSR). NSR are receptors which would be most affected by an increase in noise levels as a result of either the construction or operational phases of the proposed development. Typical NSR would include schools, hospitals, residential areas or areas of ecological sensitivity. It should be noted that the exact monitoring locations may alter slightly if the field survey is affected by local conditions such as local noise sources or security and access constraints.

The proposed noise monitoring locations are selected for the following reasons:

- Station N1 is located between the project site and the existing Desert Palm Dubai Resort and Hotel, which represents the closest sensitive receptor to the project site that include residential uses (i.e. residential villas are located inside the Desert Palm Dubai Resort and Hotel).
- Station N2 is located between the project site and the existing Al Aweer STP. During the initial site walkthrough, GHD observed prevailing wind direction from the STP towards the proposed WTE project site. Therefore, there is a need to consider up-gradient wind impacts from the existing facilities to the west. There is also a new office building being developed to the northwest of this area. Furthermore, the existing DIC Phase 1 is further to the west, and this site should be between the WTE and DIC Phase 1 development.
- Station N3 is located to the southeast of the Project site near the existing concrete producing plants. This location is proposed, as it is important to consider the existing noise from the adjacent facilities relative to cumulative impacts.



- Station N4 is located near the internal road access and northeast corner of the Project site. This site is proposed, as it is important to document the existing traffic noise from the highway relative to cumulative impacts.

The objective of conducting a baseline noise survey is to characterize existing noise levels at the proposed project site and adjacent area by:

- Capturing the background noise level of the Project area prior to the start of construction works; and
- Capturing road traffic noise (to acquire information needed for modelling the impacts of traffic noise on the project area and its surrounding environment during the operational phase of the Project)

A total of four measurements will be taken for a duration of 15 minutes as described in Table 6-8 in accordance with DM Technical Guideline for the *Reduction of Construction and Demotion Noise* (2011).

Table 6-8 Noise monitoring schedule

|                              | Day time (7 am – 8 pm) | Night time (8 pm – 7 am) |
|------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| Weekday (Sunday to Thursday) | 1 x 15 minutes         | 1 x 15 minutes           |
| Weekend (Friday to Saturday) | 1 x 15 minutes         | 1 x 15 minutes           |

The parameters to be measured will include the following:

- $L_{Aeq}$ ;
- $L_{Amax}$ ;
- $L_{Amin}$ ;
- $L_{A10}$ ; and
- $L_{A90}$ .

Measurements will be taken using a SVANTEK 977 Type 1 Sound Level Meter (or equivalent) in accordance with *ISO 1996-1:2003 - Acoustics - Description, Measurement and Assessment of Environmental Noise - Part 1: Basic quantities and assessment procedures*. Readings will be taken at approximately 1.5 m above the ground level. The Global Positioning System (GPS) position of the monitoring location, surrounding activities (e.g. activities on site during measurement, intrusive noise from unwanted sources) and noise sources at the time of measurement will be recorded.

Immediately prior to and following each noise measurement, the accuracy of the sound level meter will be checked by a sound level calibrator generating a known sound pressure level at a known frequency. Measurements will be accepted as valid only if the calibration levels before and after the noise measurements agree to within 1.0 dB. Noise level data obtained during rain and wind with an average speed exceeding 5 m/s or wind with gusts exceeding 10 m/s will not be accepted.

#### 6.4.2 Impact Prediction and Assessment

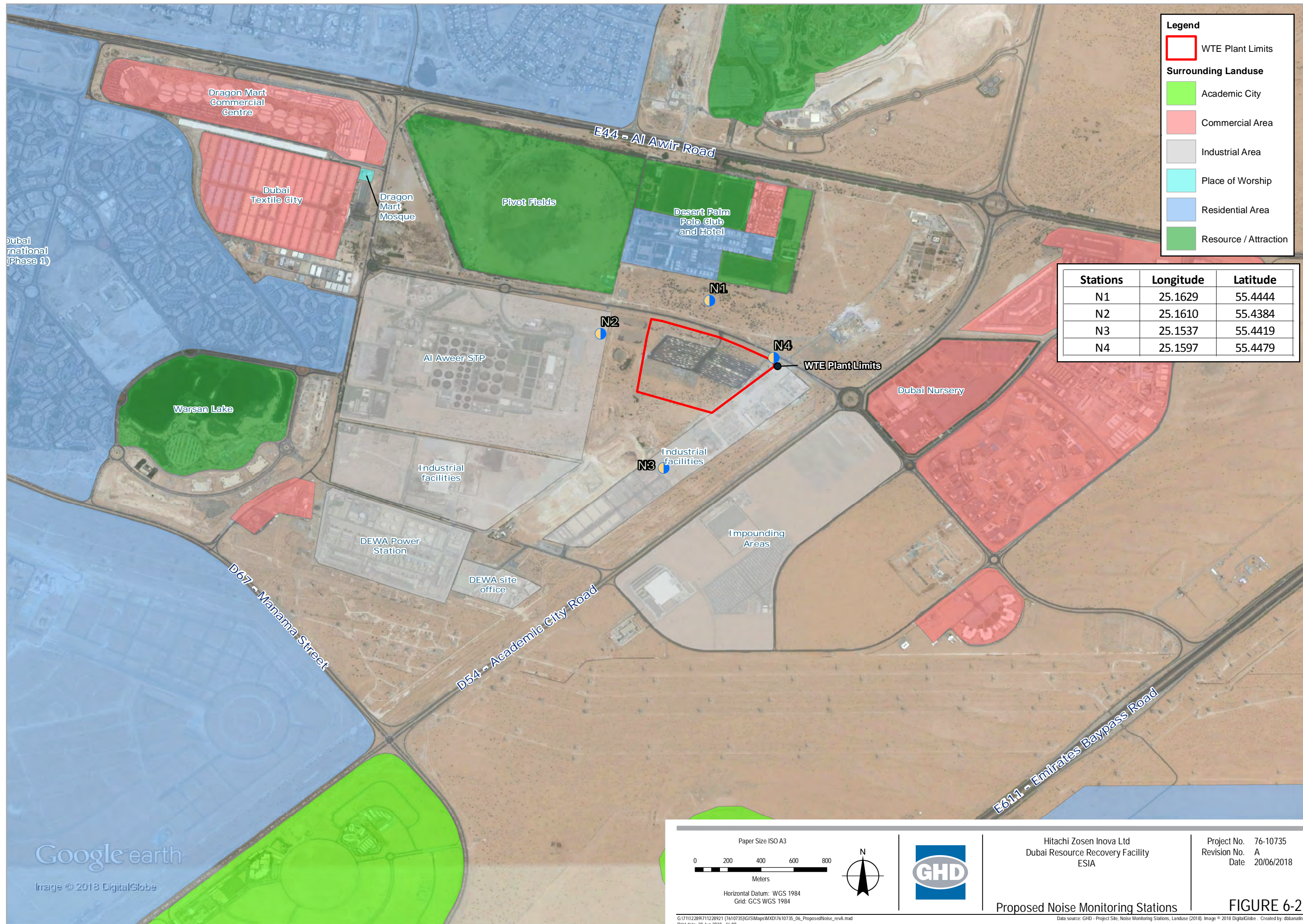
The noise assessment will consist of the following tasks:

- Desktop review to identify key environmental NSRs from aerial and terrestrial photography.

- Review of project specific noise goals for the operation of the WtE plant with consideration to local guideline, including:
  - Federal Law No. 24 of 1999 – Protection and Development of the Environment;
  - Council of Minister Decree No. 12 of Year 2006 under Federal Law No. 24 (Allowable Limits for Noise level in Different Areas – Regulation concerning Protection of Air from Pollution); and
  - World Bank General Environmental Health and Safety Guidelines: Environmental.
- Identify the likely principal noise and vibration sources during construction and operation and their potential impacts on sensitive receptors.
- Undertake a qualitative desktop assessment of construction noise and vibration impacts based on the proposed construction activities and program (no noise modelling involved).
- Undertake a qualitative desktop assessment of the proposed road transport route and road traffic noise impacts due to increased traffic volume as a result of the WtE plant operation.
- Undertake one noise modelling scenario using the SoundPLAN noise model, to predict sound pressure levels emanating from the proposed operation of the WtE plant.
- Should the noise assessment suggest adopted operational noise goals may be exceeded, undertake one additional CADnaA noise modelling scenario incorporating in-principle noise mitigation measures to predict sound pressure levels emanating from the WtE plant.

The EIA will generally identify the potential sources of noise during the construction and operation phases of the Project, and discuss the likely impacts on the sensitive receptors identified in the immediate vicinity of the proposed site. Quantitative methods will be employed for predicting the noise impacts of the Project's operation on NSRs.







## 6.5 Soil and Groundwater

### 6.5.1 Baseline Condition Assessment

#### 6.4.1.1 Previous Studies

GHD was provided with copies of the following site investigation reports:

- *Geotechnical Site Investigation for Proposed Warsan Landfill Waste to Energy Project on Plot No- 622-146, Al Warsan Second Dubai - UAE* (Report No. SS18000022, Rev. 00) – Draft Factual Report, dated 15 April 2018, prepared for M/S. Six Construct, Sharjah, UAE; and
- *Site Investigation, Proposed Warsan Landfill Waste to Energy Project, Plot No- 622-146, Al Warsan Second, Dubai - UAE* (Report No. S/D08-178, Rev. 0) – Final Interpretative Report, dated 7 April 2009, prepared for M/S. Dubai Municipality, Dubai, UAE.

For the 2018 site investigation, the following was completed by ACES:

- Excavation of four (04 Nos.) trial pits to varying depths;
- Conducting thirty nine (39 Nos.) cone penetration tests (CPT); and
- Monitoring groundwater levels at two (02 Nos.) existing standpipe piezometers.

Of interest for the EIA baseline survey, during the 2018 site investigation, ACES took groundwater level readings from previous borings numbers BH-01 and BH-14 (existing piezometers), using a dip meter, as summarized in Table 6-9:

Table 6-9 Summary of soil investigation taken by ACES

| BH No. | Elevation (m DMD) | Date          | Time     | Ground Water Depth [Below EGL (m)] | GW Reduced Level (DMD) (m RL) |
|--------|-------------------|---------------|----------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| BH-01  | 44.92             | 05 April 2018 | 10:30 AM | 15.70                              | 29.22                         |
| BH-14  | 38.07             | 05 April 2018 | 10:40 AM | 7.32                               | 30.75                         |

Taken from Appendix E, Site Investigation Report (Draft) prepared by ACES dated 15 April 2018 Revision 00

In general, groundwater levels at the above two locations were reported in a range of 7.32 to 15.70 m below existing ground level, but the groundwater elevation was relatively consistent at 29.22 m and 30.75 m, at BH-01 and BH-14, respectively.

For the 2018 site investigation, it is GHD understanding that there were no surface soil or groundwater samples taken by ACES. However, groundwater sampling was carried out during the 2009 site investigation. The chemical testing completed in 2009 is provided in Table 6-10. Findings of the 2009 survey were limited.

Table 6-10 Summary of chemical testing

| No. | Chemical Testing  |
|-----|---|
| 1   | Determination of Sulphate for Soil and Groundwater – BS 1377: Part 3; 1990, Cl.5 (Amd. 9028/96) |
| 1   | Determination of Chloride for Soil and Groundwater – BS 1377: Part 3; 1990, CL.7 (Amd. 9028/96) |



| No. | Chemical Testing  |
|-----|---|
| 1   | Determination of pH for Soil and Groundwater – BS 1377: Part 3: 1990, CL.9 (Amd. 9028/96)     |
| 1   | Determination of Carbonate Content – BS 1377: Part 3: 1990, CL.6.3 (Amd. 9028/96)             |
| 1   | Determination of Organic Matter Content – BS 1377: Part 3: 1990, CL.3 (Amd. 9028/96)          |
| 2   | Determination of Magnesium Content of Soil by using AA/Spectro Photometer APHA/AAS            |
| 2   | Determination of the Ammonia Content APHA / Ammonia Chem Kit                                  |
| 2   | Determination of Water Soluble Salt Content BA 1377: Part 3, Cl.8, 1990 & Eart Manual, Des. 8 |
| 2   | Determination of Bicarbonate Content ASTM D 1067-92, Text Method B                            |

*Taken from Section 6.0 Laboratory Testing, Site Investigation Report prepared by ACES (2009)*

#### **6.4.1.2 Site Walkthrough**

During the site walkthrough by GHD staff on 9 April 2018, the following general observations were made, and inform our proposed sample collection locations for groundwater and soil:

- It was observed that along the western site boundary there is presence of standing surface water at the toe of the landfill slope and base of the sludge fill area. While the extent of the proposed Project development will not disturb these existing areas, this indicates a potential that groundwater may exhibit potential contamination in this vicinity. Given the proximity of the landfill and sludge disposal areas to the west, GHD has planned for two borings (or test pits) to be provided in this area. The exact locations will be determined in the field on the date of drilling.
- In the vicinity of the proposed footprint of the WtE plant, GHD has planned for two borings (or test pits) to be provided for subsurface soil samples. Given the vehicle traffic and storage of vehicles in this area, there is potential for petroleum impacts below asphalt or at the edge of the asphalt paved areas. The exact locations will be determined in the field on the date of drilling.

#### **6.4.1.3 Preliminary Site Assessment**

For the EIA study, a preliminary site assessment will be completed as a component of the baseline surveys. The site assessment will provide a screening-level review in consideration of potential groundwater or subsurface soil contamination.

#### **Soil Survey**

GHD proposes that soil samples will be collected at five locations at the project site. These shall be tested against a full suite of parameters as provided in Appendix C. Samples shall be collected at regular intervals: surface, 0.5 m and 1 m; therefore, 10 samples will be collected for soil analysis. Where there is visible change in strata or 'horizon' from each discrete layer within the boring or where there is visual or olfactory evidence of potential contamination, one sample will be collected and analysed.

The soil samples will be digested and analysed in a Dubai Accredited Centre (DAC) laboratory in accordance with the methods stated in Appendix C. Standards for soil assessment is not available in Dubai, as such, results of the analysis will be assessed against the EAD Soil Contamination Guidelines for Abu Dhabi Emirate (2016) and Dutch Soil Remediation Circular (2009).

### Groundwater

Five groundwater samples will be collected from new groundwater wells and shall be analysed for the full suite of parameters as provided in Appendix C. Boreholes will be drilled to the specified depths and groundwater samples recovered from select boreholes:

- A new disposable bailer will be used for each borehole to ensure that there is no cross contamination between monitoring locations, disposable sampling bailers will be used.
- Before sampling, each well will be purged by removing a volume of groundwater to approximately three times the theoretical volume of each well. After the purge volume has been removed samples will be taken using the bottom end sampling method.
- The groundwater sample in the bailer (one sample per each of the sampling locations) will be poured into suitable sample bottles with pre-added chemical preservatives appropriate to the tests (where applicable).

The groundwater samples will be analysed in a DAC laboratory and in accordance with the methods stated in Appendix C. The groundwater quality will be assessed against the Target and Intervention values specified in Dutch Soil Remediation Circular (2009), which is accepted by DM-ED.

Additionally, a qualified field technician will be provided for analysis and data gathering for the field parameters listed in Table 6-11.

**Table 6-11** Field parameters to be considered for groundwater samples

| Item | Parameter                         | Method               | MDL       |
|------|-----------------------------------|----------------------|-----------|
| 1    | pH @ 25 °C *                      | APHA AWWA 4500 H+B   | 0.1 -     |
| 2    | Electrical Conductivity @ 25 °C * | APHA AWWA 2510 B     | 0.1 µS/cm |
| 3    | Salinity                          | APHA AWWA 2520 B     | 0.1 ppt   |
| 4    | Total Dissolved Solids @ 180 °C * | APHA AWWA 2540 C     | 9 mg/L    |
| 5    | Dissolved Oxygen                  | Polarographic Method | 0.10 mg/L |
| 6    | Temperature @ Site                | APHA AWWA 2550 B     | -         |

The procedure for metals analysis of all parameters will be completed by first filtering the sample in a filter paper, and then digestion using high purity acid, finally the analysis will be completed by the analysing instrument.

The findings will be presented in the EIA report.

### Screening

For screening of existing conditions, GHD will provide a qualified technician to be present during the installation of the originally planned four (4 No.) groundwater sampling piezometers (i.e., 2 new and 2 existing).

Data observations will be made from the ground surface using a portable handheld multi-gas meter for measurement of methane (CH<sub>4</sub>), hydrogen sulphide (H<sub>2</sub>S), carbon monoxide (CO), oxygen (O<sub>2</sub>) and carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>). A GA2000 (or equivalent device) will be used. The initial observations made at the time of piezometer establishment will be the first sample event. The

budget also allows for measurements to be taken at two (2) weeks following the initial well establishment (second sample event), for comparison.

The findings will be presented in the EIA report.

### **Proposed Sampling Locations**

GHD proposes the following Phase 1 sampling:

- 2 borings, each to an estimated depth of 10 to 15 m (or until groundwater encountered), with piezometers installed for groundwater sampling;
- 2 borings (or test pits) for soil sample recovery, each to 5 m depth, soil samples to be collected from 1 m and 3 m depths below existing ground surface level and
- Additional groundwater samples to be collected from the 2 existing piezometer locations at BH-01 and BH-14.

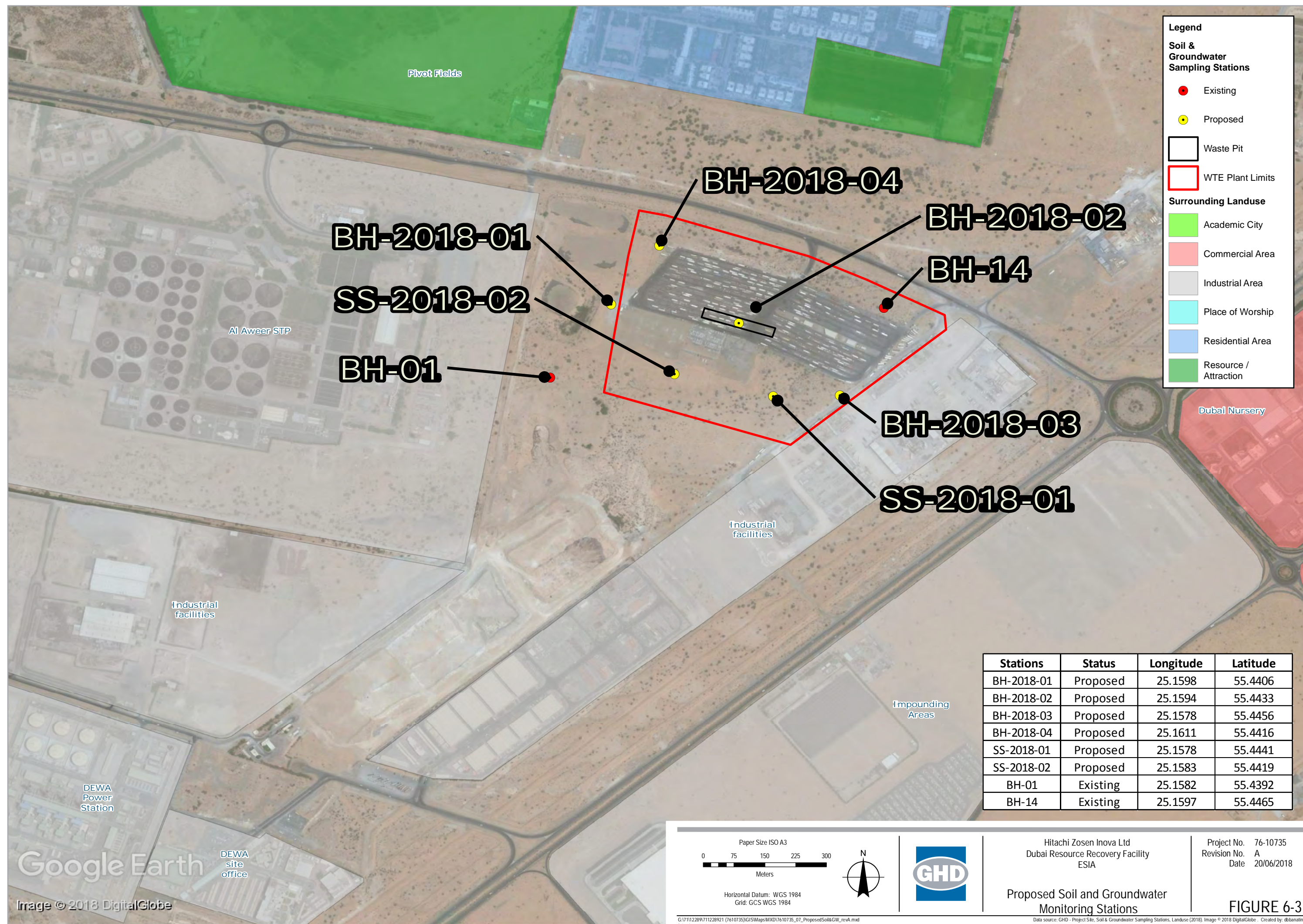
A summary of the proposed baseline sampling is provided in Table 6-6 while approximate sampling locations is provided in Figure 6-3. Locations for sampling are subject to change pending site conditions and accessibility.

**Table 6-12 Proposed environmental baseline sampling**

| Description                          | LABEL / ID     | Assumed depth | Groundwater sample           | Soil sample(s)                             |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|---------------|------------------------------|--|
| Existing Piezometer                  | Existing BH-01 | --            | 1 sample                     | --   |
| Existing Piezometer                  | Existing BH-14 | --            | 1 sample                     | --   |
| New Groundwater Well with Piezometer | BH-2018-01(P)  | 15 m BGS      | 1 sample, 1-week after purge | 1 sample at 1 m BGS<br>1 sample at 5 m BGS |
| New Groundwater Well with Piezometer | BH-2018-02(P)  | 15 m BGS      | 1 sample, 1-week after purge | 1 sample at 1 m BGS<br>1 sample at 5 m BGS |
| New Bore Hole (no Piezometer)        | BH-2018-03     | 5 m BGS       | --                           | 1 sample at 1 m BGS<br>1 sample at 5 m BGS |
| New Bore Hole (no Piezometer)        | BH-2018-04     | 5 m BGS       | --                           | 1 sample at 1 m BGS<br>1 sample at 5 m BGS |

| Description         | LABEL / ID | Assumed depth  | Groundwater sample                | Soil sample(s)                                |
|---------------------|------------|----------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| Surface soil sample | SS-2018-01 | 0.5 to 1 m BGS | --                                | 1 sample from surface soil, hand auger method |
| Surface soil sample | SS-2018-02 | 0.5 to 1 m BGS | --                                | 1 sample from surface soil, hand auger method |
| Totals              |            |                | Anticipated 4 groundwater samples | Anticipated 10 soil samples                   |







### 6.5.2 Impact Prediction and Assessment

GHD will identify and qualitatively assess the impact of the Project on soil and groundwater. Qualitative impact assessment will be undertaken using the methodology presented in Section 5.3.7.

## 6.6 Water Quality

GHD will identify any water resources near the site and assess the potential impacts resulting from the construction and operation of the proposed project. Potential sources of water supply and volume of water required during the construction and operation phases of the Project will also be defined in the EIA.

The following approach will be adopted:

- Documentation of the existing condition of water quality around the proposed site based on the relevant available information from DM-ED; and
- Development and evaluation of strategies that could mitigate potential effects of the project on water quality.

## 6.7 Biodiversity and Conservation

### 6.7.1 Desktop Review

A review of available secondary data on terrestrial ecology will be undertaken to describe the existing biodiversity within the project site. GHD will obtain secondary data and available historical studies in the project vicinity undertaken for the adjacent sites/existing facilities from DM-ED such as those completed for other nearby facilities.

### 6.7.2 Preliminary Survey

A half-day walkover was undertaken by a GHD field scientist with the following objectives:

- Ecological sensitive habitats and flora;
- Presence of flora and fauna species of conservation significance; and
- Description of local geomorphology, topography and soil substrate.

A memorandum summary describing the baseline condition of the site is provided in Appendix D. There is no ecologically significant flora and fauna species observed at the site; therefore, additional field survey is not proposed to be undertaken.

### 6.7.3 Baseline Survey

A terrestrial ecology survey will be completed over a single site visit as per Brown and Boer 2004 methodology. The survey will aim at identifying species of flora and fauna present and any rare or endangered species of special conservation interest. The following methodology will be adopted during the survey:

- **Habitats:** General habitat type will be assessed by walk or drive over surveys by a qualified terrestrial ecologist. Where specifically sensitive habitats are identified, further surveys may be recommended based on the health and regional importance of the habitat identified. The survey will aim to describe the structure and composition of the broad habitat types and the floristic diversity of the proposed development with specific focus on threatened/endemic/protected/invasive plant species. The vegetation of the survey area shall be recorded by identifying the main habitat types and their plant communities.

- **Birds:** Areas identified as providing suitable habitats for birds will be monitored briefly during the survey. Monitoring will include surveys to identify any activity; namely calling, singing, nesting and flight. Areas considered favourable for bird species will be visited to record any breeding activity, subject to the survey season.
- **Mammals:** Mammal surveys will be undertaken during transect and quadrat assessments. Mammals will be recorded by visual sightings as well as signs, inclusive of tracks, burrows, scats, and other signs, if identifiable. Nocturnal mammal surveys will be undertaken to determine the presence of any mammal species such as rodents, foxes and larger ungulates inclusive of gazelle. Remote infra-red camera traps will be deployed at each location for the survey to assist in the identification of species, and if deemed suitable, One Anabat bat detector will also be deployed during the day time survey and collected the next day. The calls recorded will then be analysed to assess present or absence of species, and a rough indication of numbers. Anabat detector is to ascertain the presence/absence of bat species. In addition, up to 10 Sherman small mammal traps will be placed along a chosen transect within the survey alignment.
- **Reptiles:** Reptile surveys will be undertaken concurrently with the mammal surveys during transect and quadrat assessments. An effort will be made to search under discarded plywood sheets and other anthropogenic debris as well as under more natural shelters such as rocks and dead wood. Nocturnal torchlight surveys for reptiles will be carried out over a single evening to determine the presence/absence of species inclusive of gecko and snake.

Scope includes completion of the template form provided by DM-EPSS (Appendix I). The findings will be presented in the EIA.

#### 6.7.4 Impact Prediction and Assessment

Using the secondary data and result of the baseline survey, GHD will identify and qualitatively assess the potential impacts of the construction and operation of the Project on biodiversity. Qualitative impact assessment will be undertaken using the methodology presented in Section 5.3.7.

## 6.8 Waste Management

### 6.8.1 Baseline Condition

The EIA will assess the estimated types and quantities of waste to be generated from the construction and operation of the WtE plant. The EIA will also review existing waste management issues and facilities within the surrounding area to develop options for managing waste generated during these phases. HZI will provide details regarding the permitted disposal facility for disposal of operational wastes and prepare summaries to be incorporated in the EIA.

### 6.8.2 Impact Prediction and Assessment

The assessment of waste impacts is usually associated with the impacts on receptors and resources including waste infrastructure. The indirect impacts of waste management will be addressed in other environmental components such as air quality, noise and soil and groundwater.

The methodology for the waste assessment to be considered in the EIA include:

- Describing existing waste generation and management practices in the UAE and Dubai Emirate based on a review of available data (e.g., solid waste generated and waste management facilities) as well as the existing and proposed waste management facilities at the site.

- Identifying waste types and streams (e.g., solid, liquid; hazardous or non-hazardous) and quantities produced during construction and operation of the WtE plant and how they will be managed.
- Assessing impacts associated with waste generation and management (such as health hazards, odour emissions, soil and groundwater contamination and impacts to existing waste management infrastructure in the Emirate of Dubai) using the impact assessment criteria methodology outlined in Section 5.3.7 and discussing the benefits of the Project.
- Identifying mitigation measures to reduce the waste impacts including consideration of the legislation and guidelines.
- Summarising impacts along with the mitigation measures and identifying the residual impacts.
- Developing a monitoring program to monitor waste generated and how it is managed.

## 6.9 Utilities

### 6.9.1 Baseline Condition

The EIA will identify the existing and available utilities in the local and regional area. Where data is available, any current issues on the operating capacities of relevant utilities will be considered in the EIA.

The EIA will discuss, and where possible quantify, the Project's requirement for utilities including the following:

- Power supply;
- Water supply;
- Sewage treatment; and
- Landscape irrigation water supply.

### 6.9.2 Impact Prediction

Environmental impacts, such as air and noise emissions, and potential soil and water contamination resulting from the operation of the associated utilities will be qualitatively assessed.

## 6.10 Traffic and Transport

Dubai Road and Transport Authority (RTA) will be consulted relative to the Traffic Impact Study (TIS) requirements. Key findings of the TIS, particularly relating to the projected increase in road traffic volume within the Project vicinity, will be incorporated into the EIA. This will also be utilised for dispersion modelling of noise impacts associated with the increased traffic during the operation of the Project.

The EIA will further provide a qualitative assessment of other potential impacts such as reduced amenity, safety issues and nuisance to sensitive receptors associated with potential increased traffic.

## 6.11 Land Use, Landscape and Visual Impact

The general objective of land use assessment is to evaluate the potential impact of the project in relation to the current land use of the area. With regard to this objective, the EIA will:

- Describe the present land use and development patterns in the project area;



- Identify protected areas of other ecological conservation sites that may be affected by the project; and
- Identify any cultural heritage sites present that may be affected by the project, through desktop.

The Project is an industrial development and will be located in an industrial site; as such, visual impact assessment is not proposed.

## 6.12 Socio-Cultural Environment

### 6.12.1 Baseline Condition

#### 6.11.1.1 Socio-Economic<sup>4</sup> Data

The EIA will describe the proposed Project in the context of the surrounding land uses and facilities of the local area. Secondary data from DM and other relevant agencies (DSC) will be used to characterise the socio-economic and cultural condition in the vicinity of the proposed site. Socio-economic and cultural information that will be included in the EIA are:

- Population and community structure;
- Areas of conservation, heritage or indigenous cultural significance;
- Areas of existing economic significance to the local business and residential community;
- Existing community and government facilities including educational, recreational, cultural, welfare, social and emergency services;
- Other developments nearby the Project site (e.g. DIC Phase 2);
- Proposed facilities within the site (e.g. labour accommodation during the operation phase); and
- Labour conditions and employment rights in accordance with the requirements of IFC and Equator Principle.

#### 6.11.1.2 Public Health Data

The EIA will describe the proposed Project and the existing industrial facilities. The following information will be presented to inform the human health assessment:

- Raw materials and methods of transport to the facilities;
- Industrial processes conducted at the facilities;
- Emissions records;
- Waste materials generated and method of disposal;
- On-site waste material storage areas, contents and approximate quantity;
- Wastewater discharges from the facilities; and
- Methods of off-site transport.

### 6.12.2 Impact Prediction

#### 6.11.2.1 Social Impact Assessment

The socio-cultural investigation will aim to gain an appreciation of the relevance of the Project in the context of the existing facilities and future land use in the local area. It will discuss the

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<sup>4</sup> Economic inputs to be included in the EIA comprise of employment opportunities and benefits as a result of Project construction and operation. Other economic aspects such as market analysis will be addressed separately by other consultants.

impacts of the construction and operational activities on the social and cultural infrastructure in the region including:

- Population and demographics (e.g. describe the workforce numbers and arrangement if there is any impact on community services and facilities);
- The national, regional and local economies in terms to employment and business opportunities;
- Community services and facilities;
- Any areas identified with conservation, heritage or indigenous cultural significance; and
- Any area identified of visual amenity importance, including existing land based visual catchments / sensitive receivers (such as mainland residential communities, parks).

Socio-economic impacts and benefits will be identified and strategies will be proposed to mitigate and manage or alternatively enhance social opportunities. Pressure on existing infrastructure and services from the new influx residential population together with surrounding existing pressures for the current residential population will also be assessed.

#### **6.11.2.2 Human Health Risk Assessment (HHRA)**

The purpose of the HHRA is to evaluate the potential health risks and concerns of existing residents and workers in order to determine and evaluate the potential health risks to sensitive receptors. Based on the existing information provided and the meteorological and geographical information of the area, the exposure pathways will be determined and the likelihood and consequence of potential exposure at the proposed WtE plant evaluated.

A summary qualitative report will be developed and included in the EIA. The assessment will compare emitted concentrations of Nitrogen Dioxide (NO<sub>2</sub>), SO<sub>2</sub>, CO, TSP, Acid Gases [Hydrogen Chloride (HCl), Hydrofluoric acid (HF) and ammonia (NH<sub>3</sub>)], Dioxins [2,3,7,8 Tetrachlorodibenzodioxin (TCDD)], Mercury (Hg), and Cadmium (Cd) to regulatory screening levels available from sources such as the World Health Organization (WHO). The inhalation exposure pathway will be semi-quantitatively evaluated within the assessment.

## 7. Summary

The proposed Dubai Resource Recovery Facility will require the preparation of an EIA.

GHD has been commissioned by HZI to undertake the baseline data collection and impact assessment for the Project. The EIA will be prepared according to DM Technical Guideline No. 1 - *Environmental Impact Assessment* (January 2017) and DM Technical Guideline No. 2 - *EIA Requirements for Land Development, Infrastructure and Utility Projects* (January 2017).

This SoW Report presents a brief description of the proposed Project, the proposed scope and methodology for the baseline data collection, and subsequent impact assessment. Baseline data will be collected through field surveys and review of available secondary data. Field baseline surveys will be conducted for air and noise monitoring and limited soil/groundwater sample analysis. The results of the field surveys will be included in the EIA Report. Should additional surveys or assessment be requested by DM-ED, GHD can include them, as required in consultation with our client.

The EIA will be prepared with a view to providing accurate, detailed information in a clear and concise manner in order to allow DM-ED to make an informed assessment of the potential impact of the Project on the environment. The EIA will also identify appropriate mitigation and management measures to minimise impact.

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## Appendices

## Appendix A – Photo Log of Surrounding Land Uses

# Appendix B – Likelihood and Consequence Level of Impact

|           |                       |
|-----------|-----------------------|
| Table B-1 | Likelihood of Impact  |
| Table B-2 | Consequence of Impact |

## Appendix C – Soil and Groundwater Parameters



| Sr                                 | Description                             | Method                      | MDL   |
|------------------------------------|---|-----------------------------|-------|
| <b>Laboratory Analysis on Soil</b> |   |                             |       |
| 1                                  | Cyanide as CN                           | Pyridine Pyrazalone Method  | 0.002 |
| 2                                  | Nitrate Nitrogen as NO <sub>3</sub> -N  | Cadmium Reduction Method £  | 1.5   |
| 3                                  | Nitrite Nitrogen as NO <sub>2</sub> -N  | Diazotization Method £      | 0.010 |
| 4                                  | Phosphate Phosphorus as PO <sub>4</sub> | USEPA PhosVer 3 Method £    | 0.10  |
| 5                                  | Benzene                                 | USEPA 8260                  | 0.05  |
| 6                                  | Toluene                                 | USEPA 8260                  | 0.05  |
| 7                                  | Ethylbenzene                            | USEPA 8260                  | 0.05  |
| 8                                  | Xylene                                  | USEPA 8260                  | 0.05  |
| 9                                  | Gasoline Range (C5 - C10)               | USEPA 8015                  | 2.0   |
| 10                                 | Diesel Range (C11 - C28)                | USEPA 8015                  | 20.0  |
| 11                                 | Motor Oil Range (C29 - C40)             | USEPA 8015                  | 50.0  |
| 12                                 | Antimony as Sb                          | APHA AWWA 3120 B            | 1.0   |
| 13                                 | Arsenic as As *                         | APHA AWWA 3120 B            | 5.0   |
| 14                                 | Beryllium as Be                         | APHA AWWA 3120 B            | 1.0   |
| 15                                 | Boron as B *                            | APHA AWWA 3120 B            | 1.0   |
| 16                                 | Cadmium as Cd *                         | APHA AWWA 3120 B            | 2.0   |
| 17                                 | Trivalent Chromium as Cr III            | APHA AWWA 3120 B / Calculat | 1.0   |
| 18                                 | Hexavalent Chromium as Cr VI            | USEPA 3060 / APHA AWWA 3120 | 5.0   |
| 19                                 | Cobalt as Co *                          | APHA AWWA 3120 B            | 2.0   |
| 20                                 | Copper as Cu *                          | APHA AWWA 3120 B            | 1.0   |
| 21                                 | Iron as Fe *                            | APHA AWWA 3120 B            | 1.0   |
| 22                                 | Lead as Pb *                            | APHA AWWA 3120 B            | 1.0   |
| 23                                 | Manganese as Mn *                       | APHA AWWA 3120 B            | 2.0   |
| 24                                 | Mercury as Hg                           | APHA AWWA 3120 B            | 1.0   |
| 25                                 | Nickel as Ni *                          | APHA AWWA 3120 B            | 2.0   |
| 26                                 | Selenium as Se *                        | APHA AWWA 3120 B            | 1.0   |
| 27                                 | Zinc as Zn *                            | APHA AWWA 3120 B            | 2.0   |

| Sr.   | Description                        | Method                      | MDL         |
|---|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------|
| <b>Laboratory Analysis on Groundwater</b>                       |                                    |                             |             |
| 1   | Benzene                            | USEPA 8260                  | 1           |
| 2   | Toluene                            | USEPA 8260                  | 1           |
| 3   | Ethylbenzene                       | USEPA 8260                  | 1           |
| 4   | Xylene (o,p)                       | USEPA 8260                  | 1           |
| 5   | TPH Gasoline Range (C5 - C10)      | USEPA 8015                  | 0.02        |
| 6   | TPH Diesel Range (C11-C28)         | USEPA 8015                  | 0.10        |
| 7   | TPH Motor Oil Range (C29 - C40)    | USEPA 8015                  | 0.50        |
| 8   | Antimony as Sb *                   | APHA AWWA 3030 E / 3120 B   | 0.10        |
| 9   | Arsenic as As *                    | APHA AWWA 3030 E / 3120 B   | 0.01        |
| 10  | Barium as Ba                       | APHA AWWA 3030 E / 3120 B   | 0.01        |
| 11  | Cadmium as Cd *                    | APHA AWWA 3030 E / 3120 B   | 0.002       |
| 12  | Chromium as Cr *                   | APHA AWWA 3030 E / 3120 B   | 0.006       |
| 13  | Cobalt as Co *                     | APHA AWWA 3030 E / 3120 B   | 0.002       |
| 14  | Copper as Cu *                     | APHA AWWA 3030 E / 3120 B   | 0.006       |
| 15  | Lead as Pb *                       | APHA AWWA 3030 E / 3120 B   | 0.015       |
| 16  | Manganese as Mn *                  | APHA AWWA 3030 E / 3120 B   | 0.002       |
| 17  | Mercury as Hg                      | APHA AWWA 3030 E / 3120 B   | 0.001       |
| 18  | Nickel as Ni *                     | APHA AWWA 3030 E / 3120 B   | 0.005       |
| 19  | Zinc as Zn *                       | APHA AWWA 3030 E / 3120 B   | 0.006       |
| <b>Additional Parameters as per DM-EPSS Comment Item No. 12</b> |                                    |                             |             |
| 1   | Total Coliforms                    | APHA AWWA 9222 B            | 1 CFU/100ml |
| 2   | Total Dissolved Solids @ 180 °C *  | APHA AWWA 2540 C            | 9 mg/L      |
| 3   | Biochemical Oxygen Demand @ 5 Days | ASTM D 888                  | 6 mg/L      |
| 4   | Oil & Grease (Free) *              | Gravimetric / IP-13         | 0.001 %     |
| 5   | Oil & Grease (emulsified) *        | APHA AWWA 5520 B            | 10 mg/L     |
| 6   | Chloride as Cl- *                  | APHA AWWA 4500 Cl B         | 1 mg/L      |
| 7   | Total Sulfates as SO4 *            | APHA AWWA 4500 SO4 C        | 8 mg/L      |
| 8   | Total Chlorine                     | USEPA DPD Method            | 0.01 mg/L   |
| 9   | Cyanide as CN *                    | Pyridine Pyrazalone Method  | 0.002 mg/L  |
| 10  | Dissolved Oxygen                   | APHA AWWA 4500-O H/G        | 0.1 mg/L    |
| 11  | Nitrate as NO3 *                   | Cadmium Reduction Method    | 0.01 mg/L   |
| 12  | Phosphate - Phosphorus as PO4 *    | USEPA Phos Ver 3            | 0.02 mg/L   |
| 13  | Sulfide as S2- *                   | USEPA Methylene Blue Method | 0.5 mg/L    |
| 14  | Pesticide (Non-Chlorinated)        | USEPA 8081                  | 0.01 mg/L   |

|    |                    |                           |             |
|----|--------------------|---------------------------|-------------|
| 15 | Phenol             | USEPA 528                 | 0.025 mg/L  |
| 16 | 1,2-Dichloroethane | USEPA 8260                | 0.001 mg/L  |
| 17 | Dichloromethane    | USEPA 8260                | 0.001 mg/L  |
| 18 | Aluminum as Al *   | APHA AWWA 3030 E / 3120 B | 0.01 mg/L   |
| 19 | Boron as B *       | APHA AWWA 3030 E / 3120 B | 0.01 mg/L   |
| 20 | Beryllium as Be    | APHA AWWA 3030 E / 3120 B | 0.01 mg/L   |
| 21 | Calcium as Ca      | APHA AWWA 3030 E / 3120 B | 0.10 mg/L   |
| 22 | Iron as Fe *       | APHA AWWA 3030 E / 3120 B | 0.011 mg/L  |
| 23 | Magnesium as Mg    | APHA AWWA 3030 E / 3120 B | 0.10 mg/L   |
| 24 | Molybdenum as Mo * | APHA AWWA 3030 E / 3120 B | 0.01 mg/L   |
| 25 | Potassium as K *   | APHA AWWA 3030 E / 3120 B | 0.10 mg/L   |
| 26 | Sodium as Na *     | APHA AWWA 3030 E / 3120 B | 0.10 mg/L   |
| 27 | Escherichia coli   | APHA AWWA 9222 G          | 1 CFU/100ml |

## Appendix D – Results of Biodiversity Survey



# Appendix E – DM-approved Site Affection Plan

(Note: Dubai Municipality Waste Management Department to provide copy of Affection Plan for insertion here)

## Appendix F – Authorization from HZI

## Appendix G – Project Proponent's Trade License

## Appendix H – GHD's Trade License and Certification



## Appendix I – Baseline Survey Format (Terrestrial)

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# **Appendix F** – Scope of Work Approval and DM Correspondence

Scope of Work Conditional Approval

EIA Outline as per DM-ED Technical Guideline No. 2 (August 2018)



Ref: 812/02/02/1/1810704

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Attention: **Eng. David Wright**  
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Dear Engineer,

**Project : Dubai Resource Recovery Facility (Waste-to-Energy Plant)**  
**Subject : Conditional Approval of the Revised Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Scope of Work (SoW)**

With reference to the submitted revised Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Scope of Work (SoW, ref: G:\76\10735\Wp\43022.docx received on 17 July 2018), please be informed that it has been conditionally approved with the strict requirement that the attached comments shall be clearly and completely integrated in the EIA Report (EIAR).

On the other hand, you are directed to commit with the project schedule and not to cause any further delay as it has been noticed that despite you have been informed in the meeting held on 19 June 2018 to directly submit the EIAR, a revised SoW was submitted on 17 July 2018 which did not provide any additional technical information nor has addressed the majority of the requirements stipulated in our previous response (ref: EPSS/L/2018/215) causing a delay of 1 month to the project.

This is for your information and necessary action.

Yours faithfully,

**Eng. Alya Abdurrahim Al Harmoudi**  
**Director of Environment Department**

Encl: ☒ Detailed Comments  
☒ Minutes of the Meeting (MoM)  
Cc: ☒ Environmental Planning and Studies Section Manager  
☒ Natural Resources Conservation Section Manager  
☒ File (WtE Plant)





| No | Section       | Page       | Comment  | GHD Response & Revised SoW   | EPSS Remarks   |
|----|---------------|------------|--|--|--|
| 1. | Section 1.4   | Page 2     | Clarify the following statements which are conflicting:<br>– “Assessment of the waste storage facility for the bottom ash and fly ash is not included as part of the study as it is not the responsibility of HZL..... Bottom ash and fly ash management is under the responsibility of DM..... The scope of the EIA will be limited to the Project site footprint and the area of impact immediately around it as described in Section 2.” (Page 2) | The scope of the EIA is focused on the Waste-to-Energy Plant site. Client is seeking further input from DM Waste Management Department relative to fly ash and bottom ash management and disposal. Further clarification to be provided to DM-EPSS as the EIA study progresses.  | Closed   |
|    |               |            | – “Treatment and final disposal is not included in the scope of the proposed Project...” (Page 24)   | The referenced paragraph in the Draft SoW report stated that “The IBA [Incinerated Bottom Ash] will be collected by DM [Dubai Municipality Waste Management Department] for treatment / disposal. Treatment and final disposal is not included in the scope of the proposed Project; as such a separate approval process will be obtained by DM.”<br>As noted in our response above, the evaluation of suitable management options is being considered separately by the WMD. Based on the foregoing, we feel that no change will be needed to the Scope of Work report for this item. | Closed   |
|    |               |            | – “Flue gas management is not part of the scope of the proposed Project...” (Page 24)  | Reference to “flue gas” was a mistake in the Draft SoW report text. Flue gas management is included in the scope of the WTE Plant’s environmental emissions controls. This sentence will be revised with the submission of the Final Scope of Work report.   | Closed   |
| 2. | Section 2.3   | Page 10    | Clarify the facility boundaries as the site general layout (Page 25) does not match with the Project boundaries plotted in Figure 2-2.   | The original limits shown on figures are the Plot limits. For clarification purposes, the facility boundary will be coordinated with the facility general layout. Updated figures will be included with the submission of the Final Scope of Work report.  | GHD will update all figures to show the boundary of the WTE Plant, and not the Affection Plan plot limits. Revised figures are to be included in the EIA. As per our meeting, EPSS indicated that a final SoW Report would not be required, but the additional scope could be approved via this letter submission. |
| 3. | Section 2.3.1 | Pages 8-10 | The location of the Facility is not compliant with Article 5 of the Cabinet Decree No. 12 of 2006 – Regulation Concerning Protection of Air from Pollution, which states that “The Incinerator.....shall be located 5,000 meters away from the nearest residential, commercial, industrial and / or agricultural area...”  | The site of the facility has been specified by the Dubai Municipality as per the Tender Documents for the Waste-to-Energy project. Based on the foregoing, we feel that no change will be needed to the Scope of Work report for this item.  | Client is seeking input from DM Waste Management Department relative to facility siting as per Cabinet Decree requirements. Further clarification to be provided to DMEPSS as the EIA study progresses.  |
| 4. | Section 2.3.2 | Page 11    | Provide any plans for detailed assessment of the potential contaminants within from the active landfill disposal area and the sludge pit, and assessment of explosion potential of any landfill gas (e.g. methane).  | As discussed in the original Scope of Work report (Section 6.4 Soil and Groundwater), two soil borings to 15-meter depth are proposed for the baseline survey. During drilling, a handheld PID will be used to screen soil samples, including methane observations for extracted soil. Kindly clarify the basis for requesting such a detailed assessment.   | Kindly refer to Attachment 1 (hereto) for scope description.   |
| 5. | Section 2.4   | Page 15    | It was indicated that the anticipated municipal solid wastes (MSW) delivery rate is 230 t/h (average) to 700 t/h (peak). Clarify how the wastes can be managed onsite during peak hours considering that the daily design waste throughput capacity is only 231.5 t/h.   | Noted. The management practices during peak hours will be further described in the EIA. Based on the foregoing, we feel that no change will be needed to the Scope of Work report for this item.   | Client will provide clarification for this item within the EIA.  |
|    |               |            | Provide location and details (e.g. whether open or covered, odor and leachate control, etc.) of the MSW staging area, if any. Further, assess any potential impacts of methane generation from the received MSW.   | Noted. The facilities descriptions, including odor management and leachate control, will be further described in the EIA. Based on the foregoing, we feel that no change will be needed to the Scope of Work report for this item.   | Client will provide clarification for this item within the EIA.  |
|    |               |            | Provide details of the incineration specifications and conditions that will show compliance with Article 5 of the Cabinet Decree No. 12 of 2006 – Regulation Concerning Protection of Air from Pollution, as follows:  | A 2016 report by Fichtner as the technical adviser of Dubai Municipality defined the grate combustion technology and the IED 2010/75/EU as the basis for the design compliance. The design of the WtE Plant, therefore, is based on IED.   | Client is seeking input from DM Waste Management Department relative to facility siting as per Cabinet Decree requirements. Further clarification to be provided to DMEPSS as the EIA study progresses.  |
|    |               |            | – The Incinerator shall include two rooms at least;  | Noted. The plant accommodates multiple facilities and buildings typical of a modern WTE complex. More than two rooms are provided. This criteria is considered satisfied. Based on the foregoing, we feel that no change will be needed to the Scope of Work report for this item.   | Kindly refer to above.   |
|    |               |            | – The burning temperature inside the Incinerator shall be no less than 900 degree Celsius, and wastes shall be burnt for at least three seconds at such temperature inside the Incinerator.  | The design of the WtE Plant is based on IED 2010/75/EU. This standard represents international best management and compliance with the stringent of global requirements. Details of the combustion process will be further described in the EIA. Based on the foregoing, we feel that no change will be needed to the Scope of Work report for this item.  | Kindly refer to above.   |
|    |               |            | – The Incinerators shall be wide enough to allow for burning all the solid wastes transported to it in 24 hours.   | The facility is sized to accommodate the daily average throughput of solid waste of 5,000 tonnes per day. The facility sizing and contingency measures to address peak operating conditions will be described in the EIA. Based on the foregoing, we feel that no change will be needed to the Scope of Work report for this item.   | Kindly refer to above.   |
|    |               |            | – There should be enough space inside the location of the  | Noted. The plant accommodates multiple facilities and buildings  | Kindly refer to above.   |



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|     |               |                      | Incinerator for the reception of the solid wastes and for carrying out the processes to be done in the location according to the nature of activities, the residential area, and its population.  | typical of a modern WTE complex. Sufficient space is accommodated in the design. This criterion is considered satisfied.<br>Based on the foregoing, we feel that no change will be needed to the Scope of Work report for this item.  | complex. Sufficient space is accommodated in the design."<br><br>Clarification should be provided <u>in</u> the EIAR.  |
|     |               |                      | – Plastic and rubber materials shall be sorted out to be recycled, and may not be burnt to prevent the Hazardous Emissions in ambient air.  | Inputs to the WTE Plant will be provided from the Dubai Municipality. The facility inputs are to be outlined in the EIA. Hazardous emissions are to be mitigated through the employment of best available technologies and continuous emissions monitoring systems. Further details of the emissions management are to be included in the EIA. Based on the foregoing, we feel that no change will be needed to the Scope of Work report for this item. | "The facility inputs are to be outlined in the EIA."<br>"Further details of the emissions management are to be included in the EIA."<br><br>Clarification should be provided <u>in</u> the EIAR.   |
| 6.  | Section 2.6.5 | Pages 23 & 24        | In relation to Comment No. 1, clarify the components of the Flue Gas Management excluded in the scope of the EIA  | Flue gas management is part of the process controls for the facility. Comment No. 1 is clarified above. Flue Gas management will be further described in the EIA. Based on the foregoing, we feel that no change will be needed to the Scope of Work report for this item.  | Closed.  |
|     |               |                      | Are the excluded scopes to be carried out within the Project plot or offsite?   | Please see above clarifications.  | Closed.  |
| 7.  | Section 2.7   | Page 25 (Figure)     | Provide details of the "WTP" and the "Main Hall" (e.g. activities inside the hall, open or enclosed, etc.). Any potential impacts shall be assessed.  | Noted. Additional details and potential impacts to be described in EIA. Scope of Work report revisions will include descriptions of the noted elements. WTP means Water Treatment Plant and is for pre-treatment of wastewater from the facility. The Main Hall is the primary combustion area, and a generic description will be added to the Final Scope of Work report.  | New documents were submitted. These should be described and assessed in EIAR including but not limited to:<br>- Clear consolidated process description of the WTP;<br>- Fate of the RO reject water and the assessment of all wastes (including hazardous) that will be generated shall be included;<br>- Clarification between the statement in the revised SoW (page 15) that "No sewage sludge from Al Aweer STP will be treated <u>nor sent from WTE plant</u> to Al Aweer STP", which contradicts with the figure on "Tie-In Points" in the Technical Document (after page 48) showing TP-04: sanitary discharges from WTE to Al Aweer STP;<br>- Only building design and civil works were provided for the main hall, combustion activities were not provided (i.e. to include no. of stacks, how NOx will be reduced, details if the system including the conveyors are completely enclosed, details of the receiving/storage room ventilation – positive/negative pressure, etc.).<br>Nonetheless, it is expected that EIA should include the <u>full</u> design of the system. Note that <u>only</u> the information relevant to the EIA shall be included in the report. |
| 8.  | Section 6.2.1 | Page 41 (Figure 6-1) | Amend baseline monitoring locations as necessary with reference to the clarified project boundaries.  | The originally proposed monitoring locations were coordinated in consideration of sensitive receptors. At this time, no change is proposed to the air and noise monitoring station locations previously considered.   | Baseline locations have been coordinated with the WTE Plant site. No further action required.<br>Final locations to be reflected in EIA report.  |
|     |               |                      | Additional air monitoring location down-wind of the project shall be required   | Kindly clarify the definition of "downwind" and the number of additional locations required. Our suggestion is up to two additional locations, but only one additional is preferred near the SE corner of the facility. The originally proposal of two monitoring locations were coordinated with consideration of sensitive receptors of residential uses.   | Additional air monitoring location is added.<br>Separate request to be made by letter for allocation of the Air Quality Monitoring Station operated by the DM Environment Department.<br>Such request is forthcoming.  |
|     |               | Page 42 (Table 6-2)  | Include dioxins & furans in the baseline air quality monitoring. The detection limit shall be below the relevant standard.  | The proposed baseline air monitoring is believed to be consistent with the typical requirements of the DM.<br>Kindly clarify the need for monitoring of dioxins and furans. The proposed emissions controls for the WTE Plant are to be designed to meet applicable emissions standards for dioxins and furans.   | Kindly refer to Attachment 1 (hereto) for scope description.<br>Number of locations: 2<br>Sampling approach: Realtime active<br>Duration of sampling: 24 hours<br>Number of sampling events: 2<br>Equipment: High volume samplers (HVS) and poly-urethane foam (PUF) sampling heads<br>Standard: WHO<br>Note: The data will be included in the EIA as an attachment. <u>No comparative analysis, cumulative impact assessment, quantitative (e.g., modeling), or semi-quantitative analysis will be completed.</u><br>- Number of locations is OK, but location should be 1 upwind offsite and 1 downwind offsite, based on the prevailing wind direction;<br>- The baseline should be used as input data to the quantitative assessment (modeling) of D&F.  |
| 9.  |               |                      | Include odor assessment (baseline odorous gas concentrations, cumulative odor impact considering the presence of nearby odor generating facilities, odor control measures)  | Kindly clarify the intent of this request. For the proposed facility, odor management is of primary importance, and is considered for the design of the WTE Plant. The WTE Plant odor management strategies are to be further described in the EIA. Based on the foregoing, we feel that no change will be needed to the Scope of Work report for this item.  | Kindly refer to Attachment 1 (hereto) for scope description.<br>Baseline odour monitoring locations were provided on 26 July 2018. It is coinciding with the noise monitoring locations. (Closed)<br>- Odour assessment should be both qualitative and quantitative (to include odour modeling)  |
| 10. | Section 6.6.2 | Page 53              | Employment of standard transect methodologies apart from the usual walk-thru surveys described to have a "detailed terrestrial ecology survey" for conducting EIA. The data should be collected in prescribed format (Annex 2)  | A terrestrial walkthrough of the site was completed relative to ecology considerations and described in the original Scope of Work report submission. Based on this walkthrough, there were not readily apparent indication of possible endangered species of concern.<br>Kindly clarify the scope for the requested detailed ecology survey.   | Kindly refer to Attachment 1 (hereto) for scope description.<br>Scope includes completion of the template form provided by DM-EPSS (Annex 2)."<br><br>Findings should be provided <u>in</u> the EIAR.  |
| 11. |               |                      | The assessment should include necessary measures to protect any wildlife with conservation status categorized higher than "Least Concern" that may be encountered during the construction works on-site. This should be in line with the requirements of Natural Resources Conservation Section (NRCS) Technical Guideline No. 3, on the Capture, Rescue, Translocation, Release and Restoration of Wildlife in the Emirate of Dubai. The Translocation Report shall be submitted to the NRCS within fifteen (15) days from the date the translocation was conducted. | Similar comment as Item No. 10, above.  | Closed.  |
| 12. | Appendix C    | Page 68              | Include groundwater baseline quality parameters pH, Temp, Color,  | Parameters presented in Appendix C were considered given the nature   | Kindly refer to Attachment 1 (hereto) for scope description.<br>Findings should be provided <u>in</u> the EIAR.  |

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|     |         |      | Turbidity, E. Conductivity, TDS, Residual chlorine, Na, K, Ca, Mg, SO4, Cl, NO3, PO4, Al, Fe, Mo, B, Be, Oil & Grease-Free oil, Pesticides-Non Chlorinated, Phenols, Hydrogen sulphide, Total Cyanide, Dissolved Oxygen, Biochemical Oxygen Demand, 1, 2 dichloroethane, Dichloromethane, E. Colie, Total Coliform. | of the proposed development. The additional parameters may be considered, but represent a change              | description.   |  |
| 13. |         |      | Include permanent groundwater lowering plan for the facility.   | Kindly clarify what is defined as "groundwater lowering plan for the facility" and the duration of such plan. | Kindly refer to Attachment 2 (hereto) documents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- HZI-VZA-50073596_02_Building Section Requirements - chapter 2.2 on crack width limitation (latest document version produced by HZI)</li> <li>- DWE-DSG-GPR-BOD-00002-02 - Structural Basis of Design - chapter 8.2.4 on crack width used for bunker</li> </ul> | Since the waste bunker and other waste management areas will be concreted, water-tight structures with no possibility of groundwater intrusion, the Groundwater Lowering Plan is no longer required (Closed) |