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Dear [redacted] Outside Scope

**BIO-ORGANICS COMPOSTING FACILITY: LICENCE NUMBER 7770/4**

I acknowledge your email dated 12 April 2006 regarding the incorporation of 50m<sup>3</sup> of Charophyte algae/weed, into the compost at the Bio-Organics Facility.

At this stage, the Department of Environment (DoE) has no objection to the use of the Charophyte algae/weed in the composting process and approves a 50m<sup>3</sup> trial. The DoE confirms that the processing of this material shall include:

- all material received is discharged directly into the green waste windrows;
- maximum air porosity in the blend is maintained to minimise odours; and
- testing of the compost that has had the Charophyte incorporated to ensure it meets the Australian standard for compost A4454:1999.

The Department also requires that community consultation be conducted with the adjacent neighbours and interested stakeholders during this trial. A record of the type and level of community consultation should be retained on site and further approvals to incorporate this material will be dependent on the completion of community consultation.

Should the DoE or Bio-Organics employees deem odours as a result of the incorporation of the Charophyte material to be unacceptable then its use should immediately cease.

Please note that the above does not override any other statutory approvals that you are required to obtain, such as any approvals from the Shire of Serpentine-Jarrahdale. Transport of the waste to your facility may also require permitting under the Controlled Waste Regulations and your site designated as a disposal site. Please contact the DoE's Controlled Waste Section on 9222 7029 to confirm this.

This approval in no way constitutes any endorsement by the DoE of any compost produced using Charophyte material. Any commercial implications of this practice are entirely your company's responsibility.

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Please contact [redacted] at the Mandurah Office on [redacted] should there be a need to discuss any environmental issues in more detail.

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Yours faithfully

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A/Program Manager  
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Date: 13 April 2006

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