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Sequential Test Letter



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Our ref: UT/2008/103483/01-
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Your ref: SCO.12/636 W
Date: 06 March 2008

FAO: Marc Willis

Dear Sir

**INFORMATION RELATING TO SEQUENTIAL TEST AND DRAFT FRA
REQUEST FOR A SCOPING OPINION FOR PLANNING APPLICATION
FOR ENERGY FROM WASTE PLANT**

**LAND AT ENTERPRISE DRIVE, FOUR ASHES, SOUTH
STAFFORDSHIRE**

I write further to my letter dated 16 January 2008 reference UT/2007/103029/01-L01 sent in reply to the scoping request for the above development. In this letter the issue of the need to carry out a sequential test in relation to flood risk was raised.

I can advise you that the Environment Agency has received via e mail from Matthew Faulkner of Enviros Ltd, details of the Sequential Test and a copy of their Draft Flood Risk Assessment. In consideration of these documents we advise that providing this information is included within the Environmental Statement supporting any formal planning application, then the Environment Agency would have no objection to the development in terms of flood risk. We would however require that:

- the fencing from the watercourse is a minimum of 6m from the top of the bank of the river for future possible maintenance access
- the permitted development rights are removed for the area shown to be at risk of flooding.

A copy of this letter has been e-mailed to Matthew Faulkner.
Yours faithfully

**Mrs Marion Hinton
Planning Liaison Officer**