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SA COMPANY ACHIEVES NATIONAL FIRST AS A “GREEN” ICON

A South Australian company has become the first waste-to-energy company in Australia to be certified Greenhouse Friendly by the Department of Climate Change.

SITA ResourceCo Alternative Fuels underwent rigorous independent verification to achieve its new status, which places it at the forefront of efforts to create a cleaner greener Australia.

“It’s a tremendous validation of the company’s green credentials and the environmental benefits of diverting waste from landfill,” said Managing Director Simon Brown.

SITA ResourceCo’s \$23 million Wingfield plant, the first and only one of its kind in Australia, processes construction, demolition, commercial and industrial waste and recycles it into clean burning fuel. It can convert up to 350,000 tonnes of raw material per annum into 150,000 tonnes of fuel.

“It is a zero waste initiative that not only reduces landfill, it also reduces greenhouse gas emissions and our reliance on natural gas,” Mr. Brown said.

As a Greenhouse Friendly business, SITA ResourceCo will now be able to produce and sell greenhouse gas abatements as carbon offsets in the voluntary carbon market.

“We have currently registered over 160,000 tonnes of abatement, which is equivalent to the yearly emissions from over 32,000 cars or the electricity usage of 22,500 Adelaide households,” he said.

It’s likely the company’s Greenhouse Gas Abatement will be purchased by other South Australian businesses or service providers wanting to offset greenhouse emissions and become carbon neutral.

Over two million tonnes of greenhouse gas emissions are expected to be abated through SITA ResourceCo’s SA facility over the next 20 years.

The company is also planning to expand interstate, with a roll-out of similar alternative fuel facilities in other states throughout Australia.

“We are continuing to invest heavily in improved sustainable outcomes and we’re keen to play our part in Australia’s transition to a low carbon economy,” Mr. Brown said.

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SITA Environmental Solutions, a SUEZ Environment subsidiary, provides weekly services to over 43,000 commercial and industrial clients and

more than 1.1million households across Australia.

SITA’s services include domestic, commercial & industrial waste collection; waste assessments; resource recovery and recycling options;

processing of organic materials into compost; renewable energy facilities; hygiene services; waste treatment; and product destruction.

More information on SITA’s services can be obtained by calling 13 13 35 or visit www.sita.com.au

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SUEZ Environment and its subsidiaries are committed to the day-to-day challenge of conserving resources and protecting eco-systems by providing innovative solutions to millions of people and industries in the drinking water, wastewater treatment and waste management fields.

SUEZ Environment's waste and water management business expertise is a vital asset in responding to the stakes of the 21st Century: effectively, the world of tomorrow needs an economy which preserves natural resources and optimises the use of raw materials.