

Cleanaway wins waste disposal contract with 21 Melbourne councils

Cleanaway has confirmed its position as the largest waste treatment and disposal company in Melbourne after winning a four-year contract with 21 of the 26 metropolitan councils that tendered their volumes.

Regional Manager Melinda Lizza said the successful bid for the Metropolitan Waste Resource Recovery Group (MWRRG) waste disposal contract doubled the volumes of waste that Cleanaway accepted at its three Melbourne disposal or transfer facilities, to more than 605,000 tonnes per year.

She said Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) from kerbside bins would be tipped at the Melbourne Regional Landfill (MRL) at Ravenhall, the South East Melbourne Transfer Station (SEMTS) at Dandenong and the Lysterfield Resource Recovery Centre under the contract, which started on 1 April.

Cleanaway already had a contract with 11 metropolitan councils to accept waste for disposal and will accept a further 10 councils' waste (see details below).

"We're very proud to have won this contract, which demonstrates the value of our network of prized infrastructure assets and locations including landfills, resource recovery centres and transfer stations; MRL, SEMTS and Lysterfield," Ms Lizza said.

"The MWRRG contract doubles the waste volumes going to these three sites and means we will be accepting about two thirds of the Melbourne metro MSW kerbside waste produced in Melbourne.

"It has started well with positive feedback from the councils about the convenience of our locations, the operational efficiency and longer opening hours of the facilities, the turnaround times.

"We haven't had any issues handling the doubling of volume and, in fact, we could handle more."

Ms Lizza said Cleanaway was spending \$7.6 million at the facilities to support the contract, with investments including dozers, trailers, wheel loaders, concrete pads, a new weigh bridge, among other upgrades.

Most of the additional waste volumes are taken to SEMTS or Lysterfield, where it is consolidated by Cleanaway before being transported to MRL.

"The new contract substantially increases volumes of waste accepted at Lysterfield, a drop-off and disposal site which previously only had relatively small amounts coming in," Ms Lizza said.

The 11 councils that Cleanaway already services are Bayside, Melton, Moonee Valley, Moreland, Whitehorse TS, Maribyrnong, Cardinia, Stonnington, Brimbank, Yarra City and Hobsons Bay.

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The 10 additional councils are Frankston, Kingston, Whitehorse, Dandenong, Glen Eira, Manningham, Knox, Monash, Melbourne and Port Phillip.

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