Legal Department
Environment Agency
Manley House
Kestrel Way
Exeter EX2 7LQ

Attn: Nick Hayden

Your ref. NH

11th November 2008

Dear Sirs

Charlton Field Lane waste composting site

We have been advised that waste operations at the above site are continuing to be being carried out far in excess of the environmental permit for the site and contrary to any lawful use of the land beyond the site boundary. In effect, the waste operator is developing a hazardous composting waste landfill/landraise site within a green belt area and within 200 metres from homes. This is, at the very least, contrary to the Agency's policy on waste composting. It is, of greater significance, creating a significant risk to human health.

We have explained before that as these operations are unlawful and we understand that local residents have raised their concerns directly with Agency officers. We would be grateful if you could confirm what effective action is being taken by the Agency to remedy the waste offences and polluting activities being carried on.

The Agency's failure to act is consistent with the challenge now before the Court of Appeal and we will therefore be referring this continuing failure to act to the Court.

Yours faithfully

Richard Buxton

cc BANES, Legal dept.