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Dear Sir or Madam

**Ref: The Draft Replacement London Plan – Examination in Public
Written Statement with respect to Matter 5F**

The North London Waste Authority is the statutory joint waste disposal authority for North London with responsibility for managing the disposal of municipal waste from the London boroughs of Barnet, Camden, Enfield, Hackney, Haringey, Islington and Waltham Forest.

Attached to this letter are 8 copies, in the required format, of the Authority's written statement in response to the Examination in Public of the draft Replacement London Plan with respect to Matter 5F. A separate letter and response is being submitted in relation to Matter 5E.

Please note that this response also incorporates comments from the seven constituent boroughs in their separate capacities as waste planning authorities, working together to produce the North London Waste Plan, the joint waste Development Plan Document (DPD) for North London.

Yours faithfully


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Policy 5.19 Hazardous waste

e) Should there be a firm commitment to produce a Hazardous Waste Strategy for London by a specified date?

1.0 We welcome greater strategic planning of this important waste stream. There needs to be a better understanding of waste flows in and out and across London of different types of hazardous waste. The GLA and the Environment Agency are well placed to do this work. This can then inform a better strategy for hazardous waste and consider, for instance, at what level self-sufficiency should be achieved for particular types. National, regional, sub-regional or borough might be appropriate for different types of waste. Without a strategic overview it is difficult for boroughs to plan for hazardous waste but there is a danger that planning blight could result if too specific an allocation of waste type was made to a site in a development plan. Additionally without the strategic overview it is difficult to decide whether a particular type of facility that might be under threat from another non-waste use should be compensated for in type as well as in volume. Given the cost of hazardous waste management we are concerned that a loss of a strategically significant site currently used for hazardous waste management might be compensated for with a site which is only likely to achieve non-hazardous waste permitting, resulting in the need to transport hazardous waste to more distant suitable facilities. A firm commitment to produce a hazardous waste strategy for London by a specified date could either address or provide supporting information in making such decisions.