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New Contractor Appointed at Archer Waste Management Facility

The City of Palmerston has awarded the management contract of the Archer Waste Management Facility to the local arm of Veolia following a public tender process.

Mayor Athina Pascoe-Bell said public tenders were recently called for the management of the facility with national, locally based company Veolia presenting the best overall value for money tender. Mayor Athina Pascoe-Bell also stated that she is excited by the opportunities presented by Veolia's partnership with disability support and service organisation Helping People Achieve (HPA) on delivering this service.

"Council looks forward to working with Veolia on delivering this valued service to the Palmerston community," said Mayor Athina Pascoe-Bell.

"Veolia has extensive experience providing waste management services and are committed to supporting the local communities in which we operate. We have been in the Top End for almost 20 years and proudly employ over 85 people throughout the Northern Territory. We are excited to be partnering with Helping People Achieve (HPA) and Council to deliver our services to the Palmerston community at the Archer Waste Management Facility," said Veolia NT Manager Nick Walker.

HPA are delighted to be included by Veolia as a subcontractor for this successful tender.

The contract will engage up to six of HPA's highly skilled, trained and experienced workforce including supervisor, staff and supported Employees.

"This decision, by both Veolia and the City of Palmerston, recognises the skills, ability and opportunities for disability employment in this highly competitive 'open tender' process," said HPA CEO Tony Burns.

"This opportunity creates an ongoing, undeniable and empowering sense of 'purpose, possibility and pathway' for all involved," Mr Burns added.

The new contract will also see local company Litchfield Green Waste subcontracted to undertake processing of green waste.

The facility has been operated under contract by CS Services NT for the past 7 years.

"I would like to take this opportunity to thank CS Services, for their service over the last 7 years," Mayor Pascoe-Bell said.

Veolia will commence operation of the facility on 1 December 2018 and services will continue to operate as normal.

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