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## Renewi plc

Press release

# Renewi reaches full service commencement for organics biofuels contract in Surrey, Canada

International waste-to-product company, Renewi plc (LSE: RWI) today announces that it has reached full service on its organics biofuels contract with the City of Surrey in Canada.

The Surrey Biofuel Facility is a 14,323 square metre facility that will process more than 115,000 tonnes of residential and commercial organic waste into renewable natural gas (RNG) each year. The facility has been designed using Renewi's extensive international expertise and its innovative technologies to convert waste into useful products

Approximately 120,000 GJ of biogas per year will be generated which will be used to fuel the City of Surrey's natural gas powered waste collection vehicles and its growing fleet of natural gas powered operations service vehicles, as well as providing a renewable fuel source for the city's District Energy System. The facility will be of the largest organic biofuel infrastructure facilities in North America, and will help the City of Surrey and the Metro Vancouver area achieve its regional waste diversion target of 80% by 2020. The by-product of this facility - Class A organic compost - will also be available for use in local agriculture and landscaping applications.

As well as playing a connecting role in the circular economy, the production of these secondary raw materials by the new facility will be instrumental in reducing community-wide greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions by approximately 49,000 tonnes per year, which is the equivalent of taking over 10,000 cars off the road annually. This reduction in greenhouse gas emissions will also completely eliminate the City of Surrey's corporate carbon footprint of 17,000 tonnes per year.

The biofuel facility was developed as a Public-Private Partnership (P3). The Government of Canada approved the City of Surrey's application to the P3 Canada Fund, where they will contribute up to 25% (to a maximum of \$16.9 million) of the capital cost of the future biofuel facility. The biofuel facility project is now one of P3 Canada's flagship projects. In addition, the facility was awarded the Institute for Sustainable Infrastructure (ISI) Envision Platinum award. The Envision rating system rates sustainable infrastructure across the full range of environmental, social and economic impacts. The Surrey facility is the first waste sector infrastructure project in North America to earn the prestigious Envision award for sustainability.



The plant received first waste in December 2017 and following successful commissioning has now smoothly entered into full service.

## James Priestley, Managing Director of Renewi's Municipal Division said:

"We are delighted to reach full service on this innovative project with the City of Surrey. The facility is performing well and we are now operating Canada's first closed-loop and fully integrated organics waste management system, with our 'waste no more' vision at its heart. Achieving full service commencement for this project is a key part of our recovery plan to stabilise and de-risk the Municipal Division so I am pleased that we are also able to deliver another milestone in that plan."

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#### **About Renewi**

Renewi, created in 2017 by the merger of Shanks Group plc and Van Gansewinkel Groep B.V., is a leading waste-to-product business ideally positioned to be part of the solution to some of the main environmental problems facing society today: reducing waste, avoiding pollution, and preventing the unnecessary use of finite natural resources.

We are listed on the London Stock Exchange and are a constituent of the FTSE250 index. With over 8,000 employees in Europe and North America, we have deep expertise and an extensive breadth of waste management products and services.

For us, waste is a state of mind, an opportunity. When we take away someone's waste, we then give it new life. We transform a wide range of used materials into useful products and raw materials for our customers, like recycled paper, metal, plastic and glass, woodchips, compost, energy, fuel, and other products.

In the process we protect the world from contamination, preserve finite natural resources, and enable customers to meet their sustainability goals. With our deep international expertise we also provide our customers with an extensive product range, combined with local service and attention.

Above all, our team is committed and passionate about our mission: waste no more. Renewi operates across five divisions:

- Netherlands Commercial Collecting, sorting, treating and recycling commercial and household waste in the Netherlands
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- Hazardous Waste Treating soil, water and packed chemical waste at our flagship ATM facility and conducting specialist industrial cleaning in the Netherlands
- Monostreams Managing a range of waste streams which focus on specific end markets such as glass, electronic goods, organics and minerals in Europe
- Municipal Operating long-term waste management contracts with local authorities in the UK and Canada

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