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SUEZ WINS A NEW CONTRACT FOR HOUSEHOLD WASTE SORTING, RECYCLING AND RECOVERY IN RÉUNION (FRANCE):

➤ **242 MILLION EUROS OVER 15 YEARS**

The intercommunal syndicate for waste treatment in the north and east of the Island, SYDNE, chooses SUEZ, through its subsidiary Inovert, for the household waste services from 1 July 2019. The 15-year contract, worth a total of 242 million euros, covers sorting, multi-channel treatment (plastic, glass, paper etc.) and recovery of household and similar waste. The project demonstrates the syndicate's wish to adopt a circular economy approach, by switching from storage solution to recovery. The plant, built by SUEZ, will also recover waste from businesses.

Supporting the region in its energy transition

With 170,000 tonnes of waste deposited at Sainte-Suzanne storage facility every year (140,000 tonnes of which come from SYDNE), it has now reached saturation point.

To address the situation, the new plant – *construction works begin today* – will recover 120,000 tonnes of waste from 1 July 2019. In line with SYDNE's expectations, almost 30% of this will be transformed into secondary raw materials (cardboard, plastic, ferrous and non-ferrous metals, compost). The remaining 70,000 tonnes will be used to produce a high-quality Solid Recovered Fuel (SRF) to power an electricity production facility that will supply the equivalent of 22,000 households.

This two-way (material and energy) recovery process will bring 72% reduction in storage, cutting volumes down from 170,000 to 47,000 tonnes a year, and will take the region over the 50% reduction target imposed by the energy transition law by 2025.

Gérald Maillot, President of SYDNE, said, "*In an environmental, social and financial challenge, the SYDNE has chosen an innovative waste management policy focused on recovery and resource management. With its recovery rate of 72% and the high-quality SRF, this project will be held up as an example throughout Indian Ocean.*"

Supporting employment and boosting the territorial attractiveness

The project will enable Réunion not only to adopt a responsible approach to waste management and recovery but also to support employment by creating approximately thirty local jobs (and over ninety indirectly).

“SUEZ Group is delighted to support Réunion in energy transition by providing a concrete solution to the challenges of waste treatment and recovery. The project will also boost the region’s economic development by creating jobs and producing secondary raw materials,” said Philippe Maillard, CEO of SUEZ Recycling and Recovery France.



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