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## WMRC Project Update

- **Media Release – Proposed expansion of DiCOM Facility**

The attached media release by Coffey Environments on behalf of Western Metropolitan Regional Council and AnaeCo has been issued as part of the community consultation process which is a precursor to commencement of the Stage 2 project.

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### About AnaeCo

AnaeCo delivers Alternative Waste Technology (AWT) facilities based on the patented DiCOM® bioconversion process. The system incorporates advanced sorting, recycling, anaerobic digestion and aerobic composting to recycle municipal solid waste (MSW) into renewable energy from biogas, agricultural grade compost and recyclables such as steel, aluminium, glass and plastics, thus ensuring maximum diversion from landfill and ensuring social, economic and environmentally sustainable management of MSW.

The DiCOM® process enables resource recovery intervention closer to source, with enhancement of existing waste transfer stations now a viable waste management option. AnaeCo's experienced team provides design, construction, commissioning, operation and maintenance services for DiCOM® AWT facilities, as well as management of all outputs including renewable energy, compost, recyclable materials and non-recyclable residuals.

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## MEDIA RELEASE

### PROPOSED EXPANSION OF DiCOM<sup>®</sup> BIOCONVERSION ALTERNATIVE WASTE TREATMENT (AWT) FACILITY

#### Brockway Road Waste Transfer Station, Shenton Park

The quantity of household waste from the Western Suburbs dumped in landfill is set to dramatically reduce under plans announced by Town of Mosman Park Mayor and Chairman of the Western Metropolitan Regional Council, Mr Ron Norris.

Since the closure of the Brockway Rd, Shenton Park, tip site in the early 1990's, household waste from Perth's western suburbs has been trucked some 40km for disposal in the putrescible waste landfill at Red Hill in the Shire of Swan - a 3 hour journey.

"The Western Metropolitan Regional Council has long recognised that landfill disposal is environmentally and economically unsustainable. The community has fully embraced recycling for many years, but the time has come to reduce our reliance on landfill in disposing of the 33,000 tonnes of rubbish collected annually from homes in the Western Suburbs" said Mayor Norris.

Following a careful evaluation of waste processing technologies, the WMRC entered into an agreement in 2008 with *DiCOM AWT Operations Pty Ltd* to establish an enclosed composting facility at the WMRC's Brockway Road waste transfer station. The facility is operated by, and uses technology developed and owned by, Western Australian company *AnaeCo Ltd*. The facility is owned by Palisade Regional Infrastructure Fund and AnaeCo.

"For the past year, AnaeCo at the Alternative Waste Treatment (AWT) facility at the Brockway Rd waste transfer station in Shenton Park has been quietly transforming trial batches of our household waste into compost and clean-burning biogas. I'm delighted to report that the trials have proven to be highly successful and that we are now ready to consider expanding the capacity of AnaeCo's DiCOM Bioconversion facility to process the organic stream of our household waste collections" said Mayor Norris.

The expansion of the plant to 55,000 tonnes will enable AnaeCo to process all of the household waste generated in the western suburbs.

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"To operate at an optimum commercial scale, the facility will also accept some household waste delivered from the City of Stirling" said Mr Norris.

"We'll be reducing household waste dumped in landfill by around 70%, producing a valuable resource in the form of compost and helping the State reach its waste reduction and recycling objectives" said Mr Norris.

"We'll benefit from reduced transport costs and associated greenhouse gas emissions compared with our current reliance on landfill disposal. We'll also be generating renewable energy from the biogas which helps to reduce the community's dependency on fossil fuels" said Mayor Norris.

According to Mayor Norris, the success of the trials over the past year with no issues experienced in odour management or noise, gives the WMRC and the community every confidence in the DiCOM technology.

AnaeCo Executive Director Mr Richard Rudas said that the company would welcome community comment and feedback on its plans to expand the operation of the Brockway Road facility.

"Stage 2 will involve installing two additional bioconversion vessels as well as extending the materials recovery facility which backs onto the waste transfer station" said Mr Rudas.

"We'll be holding a community information evening on Wednesday 17th February 2010 between 6pm and 8pm at The Mount Claremont Community Centre" said Mr Rudas. "People are most welcome to attend where they can discuss any aspect of the proposed expansion with our engineering and environmental specialists."