# press release



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## SUEZ SUPPORTS GREATER MANCHESTER IN ITS WASTE MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR AN AMOUNT OF OVER £1 BILLION

As of June, 1<sup>st</sup>, the Group will deliver waste management services for Greater Manchester, in the United Kingdom, or 1.1 million tonnes arising from nearly 2.3 million residents. This contract is worth over £1 billion.



Following an 18 month procurement process, Greater Manchester Combined Authority (GMCA) has chosen SUEZ for the management of 1.1 million tonnes of municipal waste from over 1 million households across 9 Greater Manchester districts (Bolton, Bury, Manchester, Oldham, Rochdale, Salford, Stockport, Tameside and Trafford). This contract will run for seven years, with an option to extend for a further three and then

five years. The Group will support GMCA in its circular economy strategy as part of the '5 Year *Environment Plan*', increasing significantly recycling rates and diverting over 96% of municipal waste from landfill facilities.

The Group will operate 41 facilities over 24 sites, including 4 mechanical treatment and Rail Head reception facilities, 20 household waste recycling centres, 8 transfer loading stations, a thermal recovery plant and a materials recovery facility. The recycling centres will be optimized and will also recycle a wider range of items, including carpets and mattresses.

The Group will also contribute significantly to local community causes in Greater Manchester, as it has made over 50 commitments. As an example, it will be part of community projects, such as reuse initiatives that will benefit the Mayor's Homelessness Fund.

Cllr Allison Gwynne, Chair of the GMCA Waste and Recycling Committee, said, "We are extremely pleased with the result of the procurement process and are confident that our new partnership with SUEZ will provide opportunities to enable us to increase recycling of household waste which is key to moving towards a more circular economy. This is another step towards making Greater Manchester one of the leading Green City regions in the UK".

Bertrand Camus, CEO of SUEZ, stated, "We are proud to be working with Greater Manchester's teams in its sustainable waste management. As the waste volumes represent 4% of the total UK volume, this new contract will significantly strengthen our activities in the country. It is evidence of our commitment to support its environmental transition, where we see huge opportunities to develop creative new partnerships with local authorities and business."

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#### About SUEZ

With 90 000 people on the five continents, SUEZ is a world leader in smart and sustainable resource management. We provide water and waste management solutions that enable cities and industries optimize their resource management and strengthen their environmental and economic performances, in line with regulatory standards. To meet increasing demands to overcome resource quality and scarcity challenges, SUEZ is fully engaged in the resource revolution. With the full potential of digital technologies and innovative solutions, the Group recovers 17 million tons of waste a year, produces 3.9 million tons of secondary raw materials and 7 TWh of local renewable energy. It also secures water resources, delivering wastewater treatment services to 58 million people and reusing 882 million m<sup>3</sup> of wastewater. SUEZ generated total revenues of 17.3 billion euros in 2018.

