

**PUBLIC PETITIONS COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION OF PE1563  
QUESTIONS/ISSUES ARISING FROM COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

**TUESDAY 9 FEBRUARY 2016**

**The Sludge Review Group—**

- Whether the research outlined in paragraph 31 of the Review's recommendations could be concluded more quickly, preferably before this summer when spreading activity increases.
- How communities will be made aware of the new reporting mechanism, whereby SEPA is the main point of contact for complaints.
- In relation to [SEPA's assurance](#) that there is only one sludge landfill site in Scotland, how non-licensed sludge landfill is monitored and dealt with and whether the conclusions of the Review will affect the regulation of such practices.

**TUESDAY 8 DECEMBER 2015**

**The Scottish Government—**

- When will the sludge review's report and the Scottish Government's response be published?

**Scottish Environment Protection Agency—**

- Please provide details of: contractors that dispose of sludge by landfill; how widespread this practice is; and whether landfill sites are located near to residential areas.

**TUESDAY 6 OCTOBER 2015**

**The Scottish Government—**

- When will the sludge review's report and the Scottish Government's response be published?

**Scottish Environment Protection Agency<sup>1</sup>—**

- Do your figures for sludge include that produced by producing/management facilities are operated by companies employed under a PFI arrangement?
- SEPA notes that as part of the notifications recorded figures for 2014-15, 350 of the 490 notifications are for two incidents. Are you able to provide details of the sites and the contractors involved?

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<sup>1</sup> The first two bullet points refer to figures provided by SEPA in its submission on 4 September 2015 ([PE1563/D](#))

- How many private contractors and PFI contractors work in the production and management of sludge in Scotland?

**TUESDAY 26 MAY 2015**

**The Scottish Government—**

- What is the Government's view on what the petition seeks?
- Will the review of the practice of sludge spreading include a public consultation and if not, why?