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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **Cairns Advanced Resource Recovery Facility Temporary Shut Down For Maintenance Repairs**

SITA Australia (SITA) announces the immediate and temporary shutdown of the SITA Organics Cairns Advanced Resource Recovery Facility in Portsmith, Cairns due to necessary maintenance repairs.

SITA spokesperson, Simon Lee advises, "SITA has identified that immediate maintenance is required on the three digesters at the Advanced Resource Recovery Facility."

"Due to the nature of these digesters, this maintenance work can only be carried out safely and effectively under a full shut down."

SITA anticipates that the maintenance works will be completed by the end of November 2012.

During the shutdown period, both residential and commercial waste will be transported to a regional landfill.

"We are working closely with Cairns Regional Council to ensure that we deliver the best possible outcome." confirmed Mr Lee.

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