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**Subject:** RRRF based at Norman Road. Belvedere DA17 6JY - London Borough of Bexley.

**To The Secretary of State for Business Energy and Industrial Strategy.**

**Attn - Kerry Crowhurst      Energy Infrastructure Planning team**

Dear Sir,

**Ref- RRRF based at Norman Road. Belvedere DA17 6JY - London Borough of Bexley.**

I would like to query the basis of the application made by Riverside Resource Recovery Facility (RRRF), a Cory company; at their Belvedere site. This application was advertised under the heading of the Electricity Act 1989 (section 36C). This would not draw the attention of the public to the object of this application, namely extension of the capacity at the existing incinerator plant. (Also including additional jetty and bunker storage reconfiguration.) The notice was placed in a local paper which is not widely circulated. Documents were not deposited at the Planning office of the council or the Borough central library. I had difficulty accessing documents at the Belvedere community library which is volunteer run and Covid restricted. It was not open some afternoons that were shown in the advertisement. Staff on duty were unable to locate the documents on a couple of occasions. I was advised by Devon that they had been delivered and signed for. She then sent me a USB data stick for reference, after I had wasted a week with the library.

There is no need for an application under the Electricity Act without a desire for increased capacity. Possibly this is a reflection of the general drive to recycle more, meaning that less higher calorific waste like plastics, would be available as feedstock for incineration. A higher total tonnage throughput would then be needed to achieve the **same** electricity output. The RRRF plant is already the largest operating in London. This creates a disproportionate effect on the health of the local community, from emissions, traffic etc. compared to the rest of London.

Despite many objections lodged by members of the public like myself; local groups, MP's and the Mayor of London, Cory has been granted planning permission for a new, more efficient plant or REP, to share the existing site. This would more than double the incinerating capacity and increase emissions in the same location. Why should there be any increase in capacity allowed for the older less efficient technology RRRF. Rather it should be closed down and decommissioned. There is already incinerating overcapacity in London, and the country as a whole, with more incinerators in the planning stage. I have many concerns about the Application which will adversely affect both the health and the natural environment of those in and around Bexley.

More detailed comments are attached.

Yours faithfully,  
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