

## Keenan Recycling Expands VCU™ Facility

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Berkshire based VCU Europa is pleased to announce that it has secured a contract to expand the VCU™ facility at Keenan Recycling's site at New Deer, Aberdeenshire.

The New Deer site currently has a 12 chamber VCU™ system which has operated since 2008, processing mainly comingled food and garden waste from Aberdeen City Council delivered under contract by Sita.



The system, which currently handles around 30,000 tonnes a year of organic material, has successfully achieved full certification to the ABP Regs, and produces a BSI PAS100 accredited compost. The VCU™ system has proven to produce exceptionally mature material, meeting PAS100 requirements for CO2 stability after as little as 2 weeks in maturation.

The expansion, which will see a further six VCU's installed and will enable the site to process an additional 15,000 tonnes of waste, comes after Keenan Recycling launched a commercial food waste scheme in July 2010. The scheme, which is the first of its kind in the north-east of Scotland, allows organisations to recycle items such as leftover food, coffee grounds, cups and paper towels.

Managing director of Keenan Recycling, Grant Keenan, said: "The expansion follows the success of the first VCU™ installation, which we chose after careful due diligence. The technology has exceeded our expectations and has allowed us to grow the site through the addition of other commercial waste streams. We successfully secured partial WRAP funding for the expansion, which is a further endorsement of our site and our choice of technology".

The expansion will be delivered in March and will position the site as a major facility for organic waste recycling in the region and the largest VCU™ site in Europe.

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