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Materials Recycling Facilities (MRF) Directory SAMPLE

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1 Report Overview

The Materials Recycling Facilities (MRF) Directory (GB) was published by BDS in June 2023. The plants are operated by a mixture of national, regional and local companies. This MRF Directory provides key information for waste companies seeking to identify potential destinations for collected waste streams as well as providing the ability to monitor competitor activity, identify which operators currently hold existing contracts and site based capacity.

The MRF Directory 2023 holds details for 233 operating sites.

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2 MRF Sites GB Overview (2023)

The Material Recycling Facilities (MRFs) directory is a list of MRF facilities that form part of the waste transfer and recycling process in Great Britain. In Great Britain the waste process is primarily made up of Waste Transfer Stations (WTS) and MRFs of which can be located at one or the same facility or location. Due to some WTS in Great Britain also separating waste at the waste transfer station the terms WT and MRF can be used interchangeably however the purpose of the BDS MRF directory is to primarily focus on providing a directory of MRFs that focus on household waste / municipal & commercial waste (including plastic & glass), BDS do not strive to include waste transfer stations within the directory however some may be included due to the interchangeability of terminology within the waste sector in Great Britain.

- WTS are primarily a 'collection point' for all waste streams. The waste is delivered to the WT location and is either sorted, screening and separated for onward travel to recycling facilities or bulked together for transportation to Energy from Waste facilities (EFW) or landfill sites
- MRFs are a sorting facility for recyclable waste, the waste is separated into material streams and types and prepared for sale. Waste is sorted according to material and recyclability and can include paper, cardboard, glass, plastic, wood, scrap metal, compost, hazardous waste, residual waste and organic waste. Once sorted the recyclable waste may be baled, shredded or crushed for onward travel where it will be repurposed, reused or recycled.

The BDS Directory of MRF focuses on household /municipal and Commercial waste and only includes facilities above 25,000 tonnes per annum. In Great Britain BDS identified over 200 operating MRF's that have capacity of above 25,000 tonnes per annum.

