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GAFTA

- Gafta is an international trade association representing traders in agri-commodities, grain, animal feed, general produce and spices.
- Gafta has over 1510 members in 89 countries and 120 company members in the UK. Raw Materials Trade Committee deals with UK policy and in this case “RDF”.



Tonnage in UK

- UK exports risen from nearly 0 tonnage in 2010 to approx 1.5 mt in 2013; 2.37 mt 2014, 2.75mt est 2015.
- Transported across UK to Port for export to EU member states for energy recovery;
- Growing business, compatible with zero waste economy policy but UK regulation of RDF is still at early stages;
- “Feed and Food Safety” is missing from the discussion; not just an environmental issue.



Issue and Concerns for Trade

- Contents of bales;
- Issue of quality and storage at ports;
- Quay side storage and loading on vessels;
- Proximity to Feed Stores;
- Incompatible neighbours-need legislation.



Compatible Neighbours?



LEAKAGE



Poor operating standards



PROPOSED SOLUTIONS:

- Need stricter legislation on RDF; must have zoning at ports;
- RDF- cannot be stored near Feed Stores even temporarily, requires dedicated equipment; specialist cleaning of quayside;
- Take Feed and Food Safety issues into account;
- Need to enhance enforcement powers of authorities;
- Need internal communication between authorities;
- Waste management operators need stricter guidelines to adhere to; better understanding of risks and hazards of products;
- Stricter criteria for permits and legislative requirements at Quaysides.



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