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## **Dear Colleague**

## Members Allowances – GM Waste Disposal

I am writing to advise upon the outcome of the deliberations of the Oldham Independent Panel in respect of allowances for the GM Waste Disposal Authority. You will recall that we established a precedent last year in asking the Oldham Panel to make general recommendations which could then be considered by each individual district panel. It is then the responsibility of each district to decide if it wishes to make payments.

The Oldham Panel gave consideration to the need to increase the WDA allowance "in recognition of the additional workload arising from the 25 year PFI contract for the disposal of the conurbation's waste". The WDA allowance itself was increased by inflation to £1,764 per annum to be reviewed in 6 months. In addition it was recommended that representatives on the evaluation panels be paid for additional time spent on the panel, plus up to two hours preparation time at an additional hourly rate of £15. If this was adopted locally your district would therefore need to establish a mechanism of collecting/recording time spent by members.

Will you please make arrangements for your own Panel to review allowances on the basis of the above recommendations.

Yours sincerely

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