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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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