TRAFIGURA RESPONSE TO THE INFORMATION REQUESTS ON THE COMPOSITION OF THE SLOPS

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On the occasion of the 10th anniversary of the Probo Koala incident, it has been suggested that Trafigura has been withholding details on the composition of the waste disposed of in Abidjan. These assertions are incorrect as they ignore the fact that this information has been readily available for many years.

- The composition of the slops was fully investigated by the judicial authorities in Amsterdam and the composition of slops is extensively presented in the report of the Netherlands Forensic Institute (NFI) acting for the Dutch Ministry of Justice dated 29 January 2007, based on the samples taken in Amsterdam in July 2006.

- The NFI report constitutes the best available data regarding the nature and characteristics of the slops discharged in Abidjan.

- The NFI report is in the public domain. It was first sent to the proper authorities and interested parties and has been available on Trafigura website for many years.

- The NFI quantitative data match the analyses of the samples taken from the discharge sites in September 2006 in Abidjan by the French civil security, COGIC and BRGM and were subsequently corroborated by the analyses run by BURGEAP in 2007 and then by WSP in early 2009.