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To:

All Tourist Establishments

Subject:

Transfer and Disposal of Waste

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Dear Sir/Madam,

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has requested Ministry of Tourism to inform all the resorts (those who transfer resort waste to inhabited island) to halt transfer of resort waste to inhabited islands where there are no suitable waste management facilities.

As per the current waste management regulation R-58/2013, Clause 25, (b) It is mandatory to transfer the wastes to the nearest regional waste management center. If there is no regional waste management center within the region the waste has to be transferred to the nearest waste management facility. Environmental Protection Agency informs that legal action will be taken against those who transfer and dispose waste to the inhabited island and surrounding sea.

Hence, we advise you to strengthen resort in-house waste management centre and manage resort waste within the resort facility. In addition all the waste produced must be managed environmentally responsible manner and as per the waste management regulations of the Maldives.

The Ministry would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your cooperation to the various contributions taken to protect our Environment.

Thank you.

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Yours singerely

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