#### 3. 2007/08 ACTION PLAN UPDATE

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#### **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1. To recommend firstly an additional project for business resource efficiency projects, and secondly a project for compost product development and marketing.

### **BACKGROUND**

 On 13 August 2007 the Committee approved an action plan for 2007/08. As part of that, potential projects for business resource efficiency projects and compost product development were supported in principle and the actual proposals are now presented for approval.

### **UPDATE**

### Business Resource Efficiency and Paper and Cardboard Communications Campaign (\$35,000)

3. Some \$35,000 of the \$50,000 budget for business resource efficiency has not yet been allocated and the attached proposal for the expansion of the Target Sustainability programme to Canterbury districts is presented for consideration and approval (Appendix 1). Staff will present the proposal at the meeting.

# **Compost Product Development (\$40,000)**

4. As indicated in the 13 August 2007 report the original proposal to focus trials on use of compost by potato growers did not proceed. The attached proposal is therefore presented for consideration and approval (Appendix 2). Staff will present the proposal at the meeting.

## **SUMMARY**

5. Expanding business resource efficiency to other districts plus further work on compost product development and marketing are important aspects of the overall action plan. The two proposals complete the action plan for 2007/08 and are therefore recommended for approval.

## STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Committee approve the two proposals detailed in the report for the 2007/08 action plan.