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*Kerdiffstown,
Sallins,
Naas,
Co. Kildare.*

31/08/04

***Re: - Neiphin Trading Limited
Licence No:- 47 - 1***

Dear Sir,

*We wish to lodge our comments on the recent application by
Neiphin Trading Limited for a review of Licence No. 47 - 1.*

*It will come as no surprise to the Licensee that we are not happy with
the prospect of having an extension to the activities carried out at
this location. Our home is directly across the road from this Waste
Management Facility. The main problems we have experienced since
this Licence was granted last year have been in relation to the
emissions from the site. Any increase in the area to be filled or the
activities to be carried out in the facility will increase the level of
nuisance which we must tolerate.*

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1. Dust.

Dust cannot be confined to the area where Neiphin Trading Limited operate. All the nuisance prevention measures laid down in the Planning Permission files and in the Waste Licensing Files suggest that nuisance from dust can be alleviated by sprinkling the road with water. This may keep some of the dust at bay but not the majority of it. When the trucks tip a load of C. & D. waste at the site or if a truck tips waste into an engineered cell, it sends a pawl of dust up into the air. This dust becomes airborne and settles on our home and property. There are no emission control measures which can alleviate this nuisance.

This airborne dust has affected our health. Two members of our family suffer from Asthma. This condition has intensified in one of them and stronger medication was necessary to keep the condition under control. We do not approve of the Licensee being allowed to increase the area which can be land filled because this will prolong the life of the facility and prolong the amount of time that we are subjected to increased amounts of dust.

We do not accept that this is a good location for a proposed Composting facility. The spores and pollen from the Composting Operation will also aggravate the Asthma conditions in our household.

2. Odours

We have experienced mal odours from the Facility from time to time. These are particularly acute in frosty weather and when cells are being excavated. The new Composting procedures will increase the number of times that the Residents of the area will have to endure foul odours. .

Under no circumstances will we approve of the organic waste from Domestic refuse or food waste included in Industrial or Commercial waste being composted on this site.

3. Noise

A substantial amount of noise comes from this facility in the form of Truck movements to and from the site and heavy machinery operating there. This noise is particularly distracting if we are trying to work outdoors. If the activity level increases, so too does the number of machines required to carry out the work and the intensity of the noise levels to be tolerated. We are not in favour of the proposed extension to activities regarding the packaging, baling and compacting of wastes as a result. The use of a compactor on this site requires great care because our property is so close to the facility. A vibrating roller was used in the construction of a road on the site and we could feel the foundations of our house shake as the machine was being operated. A compactor would have similar effect.

4. Final Contour Levels

Most of the homes and land in the area are 94 – 100 mOD and this level is in keeping with the natural landscape of the area and should be maintained. We do not wish to be overlooked by a further 8 metres. At this height we would not be afforded the protection of the hedges/trees around the boundary of the site and would have to tolerate the full momentum of the noise and dust coming from the site. The facility is already visually obtrusive and can be seen clearly by those travelling along the roundabout onto the N7 from Naas.

We have no control on the operations of this Waste Management Facility and cannot protect ourselves from the harmful emissions that invade our property. Please take our concerns into consideration when you are making your decision on this case

Yours faithfully,

Michael Foley.
Michael Foley

Valerie Foley.
Valerie Foley

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