

**CLOSING SUBMISSION.**

From Pat O'Brien, Local Resident.

1] The only independent study held in this country that I know of, the health research board report, strongly states that we as a country and the EPA as a group, simply don't have the technology, the expertise, the finances, the resources, or the powers, to regulate or to monitor this industry, it simply doesn't exist at this moment in time.

Surely at the very least we as a country, and the EPA as an agency, should at least wait until such time as all of the above is in place before even contemplating issuing a licence for this proposed development.

2] As was disclosed yesterday, Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March, the technical data involved in the design of this incinerator, simply is not available at this moment in time, and as a result all of our technical questions to industry expert witness Mr. Conor Hayes could not be properly addressed or answered.

This in my opinion is a major flaw in this proposal, there is simply no excuse for the company not to provide this vital information to the EPA, and to the community groups fighting this proposal on behalf of the wider community.

This information needs and must be made available to everybody in an open and transparent way without further delay, and before any decision is made with regard to providing a licence for this plant.

The time it may take, or the cost involved to the company are totally insignificant, what about the communities time and the real cost to them, how can this agency propose to licence this plant, without having all the relevant information on how it actually works in front of them, to do so without it is simply asking the public to accept a pig in a poke, its just totally unacceptable.

As this is the last public forum available to the public, short of expensive legal proceedings, I believe this hearing should adjourn until all the relevant information is supplied by the company and everybody including the EPA, have time to examine them.

Finally, one of our biggest fears is that this decision is already made, prior to any of these hearings, and statements in the national media from leading EPA officials do nothing to allay those fears, if anything they increase them, we can only hope that Dr. Mary Kelly, and Miss Laura Burke, will not be part of the final panel of people making the final decision,

And I personally hope you as chair will have the moral courage involved to make a decision based purely on the evidence produced in this hearing, because I believe if you do, and do not allow yourself to be pressurised by the powers that be inside and outside the agency then I strongly believe there is only one conclusion you can arrive at,

Consent of the Commission required for further use.

And that is that at this moment in time , we simply do not have the technology or the science, or the technical data available to recommend providing a licence for this proposed plant, and should not even consider providing same until such time as we have All of the above available.

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