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RE: Waste Licence Application 213-1 Roadstone Dublin Limited

Dear Sir/Madam

Further to yours of 6th May 2005 and accompanying documentation, the following are our observations on this application.

The site of the Roadstone Dublin Remediation Landfill lies within the catchment of the Poulaphouca Reservoir from which Dublin City Council abstracts water for drinking purposes. Water from Poulaphouca Reservoir is treated at the City Councils water treatment plant at Ballymore Eustace, Co Kildare and is supplied to the Greater Dublin Area which includes Wicklow, Kildare, Dun Laoghaire Rathdown, Dublin City, South Dublin and Fingal. Half the requirements of these areas is supplied from this source and as a result the purity of the water is what to the City Council.

While we accept that the excavation and removal of all buried domestic waste, commercial and industrial waste (including surrounding and intermixed soil) and overlying construction and demolition waste at each of the three unauthorised landfill sites is essential the proposal to dispose of 180,000 tonnes of non-hazardous domestic, commercial or industrial waste within the applicants landholding in Dillonsdown townland carries inherent risks to water quality. We do not feel that a landfill should be sited in a sensitive location within the catchment of Dublin's major water source. We consider that this would result in an unacceptable risk to the water quality in the reservoir and hence would object to the waste licence application.

Yours faithfully

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