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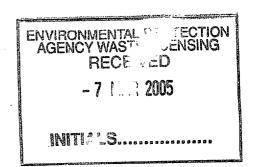
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Our Ref: E2005/3 Your Ref: 213 -1

Ms Karen Vaughey,
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Office of Licensing & Guidance,
Environmental Protection Agency,
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Co. Wexford.



Re: Waste Licence Application by Roadstone Dublin Ltd. in relation to a facility/premises located at Roadstone Dublin Remediation Landfill Dillonstown Deerpark, Newpaddocks and Santryhill Townlands Blessington, Co. Wickley.

A Chara,

We refer to your recent notification in relation to the above-proposed development. Outlined below are the nature conservation recommendation of the Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government.

We submitted recommendations to Roadstone Dublin Ltd. on 21 October 2004 on a Consultation Document. Most of these recommendations have been included in the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) for the Waste Licence Application. It is our recommendation that these should be implemented in full.

In addition Peregrine Falcon (falco peregrines) has been known to breed in the sandpits. These species are afforded protection under Annex I of the EU Birds Directive (Council Directive 79/409/EEC on the conservation of wild birds). In particular in 2002 peregrines falcons bred on the face of a sandbank within 200 metres of the boundary around area 4. Two young fledged from this site. With the amount of activity that will be around Area 4 these birds are unlikely to breed here during the intended works.

We recommend that mitigating measures such as the construction of a nest platform elsewhere on the site is advised. The National Parks and Wildlife Service of this Department should be consulted regarding the design of this nest platform.

Kindly forward any further information received or in the event of a decision please forward a copy to the following address:

> The Manager, Development Applications Section, Department of the Environment Heritage and Local Government, 4<sup>TH</sup> Floor, Dún Sceine, Harcourt Lane, Dublin 2.

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Development Applications Unit.