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Date: 23rd May 2005

The Secretary
Environmental Protection Agency
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Re: Objection to Integrated Pollution Prevention and Control Licence (IPPC) by
Reenard Farms Limited at Kilharin, Co. Wexford, received to the EPA on the 1st
April 2005.

Dear Secretary,

I, John Freeman, strenuously object to the granting of an EPA IPPC Licence following an application lodged on 1st April 2005 with the EPA, Reg. No. 742 for a review and extension of the license by Reenard Farms Ltd. due to grave concerns arising from its application to operate an Anaerobic Digester adjacent to the River Slaney, a candidate SAC site.

You will note that I own all the land between the site proposed and the River Slaney on the Castle side. I will not be allowing any access through my land to the river. If any access is deemed to be there at the present time, I immediately withdraw same.

The application is in my opinion deficient in many aspects and in fact I find it very difficult to understand a lot of the information presented in the application.

A major objection I have is that this development is located almost on a SAC site. I consider this development to be a major pollution hazard, not just to my site but to the River Slaney. The capacity of the tanks, which as far as I can see are located below the water level, would lead to a massive pollution problem in the event of any leakage.

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Has the EPA seen or operated a similar facility in this country, or is there a similar facility in any country in the world located on such a sensitive site?

What experiences have the operators of operating a facility on a site similar to this?

Why has the County Council not granted Planning Permission? If one looks at the reasons given, it effectively says the site is not suitable.

Huge amounts of raw material will be drawn on to this site and will obviously be stored on the site. How much of a smell will emanate from this material? How can this be controlled?

The proposed Digester will be manned for a couple of hours each day. What happens when it breaks down?

Again, I reiterate my objection. I confirm that no access to the River Slaney will be gained through my land.

I ask you to reject this licence application out of hand.


Yours sincerely

John Freeman



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