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Re: Application for review of licence by Midland Waste Disposal Company Ltd., Proudstown, Navan, Co. Meath.

Ref. No: 131-2

I have no objection to granting the above licence. I recommend that the following conditions be included:

- 1. Each load of waste received at the station shall be visually inspected by fully trained and experienced personnel. Anywaste deemed unacceptable under the EPA Waste Licence shall be placed in a separate bunded quarantine area until removal for disposal at an appropriate licensed facility.
- Operations on site shall be carried out in such a manner that air emissions and/or odours do not result in significant impairment of, or significant interference with amenities or the environment beyond the boundary of the site. Immediate steps shall be taken to eliminate foul odours in the event of complaints from local residents. In the event that odourous emissions are consistently exceeding levels set be the Agency, the applicant shall consider installing an odour treatment system through which all odourous air shall be treated prior to discharge to the environment.
- **3.** The applicant shall implement a programme for the monitoring of pathogens in the finished compost product. The results of which must be submitted to the Agency. Any non-conformances must be addressed prior to movement off-site.
- 4. Appropriate measures shall be taken to ensure that vermin infestations do not arise at the facility or in the immediate environs of same. The vicinity of the facility shall be kept free from any debris and loose litter. Any such materials shall be removed without delay. An integrated pest control management plan shall be developed and implemented on the site.
- **5.** Adequate measures shall be taken in *dry* weather to minimise airborne dust on site and on access roads to ensure that no environmental nuisance shall arise.

- 6. The agency shall be satisfied that the leachate storage tanks are of sufficient capacity to retain water during prolonged periods of heavy rain.
- 7. Localised exhaust extraction shall be provided over any dust emitting equipment in the work area.
- 8. The results of the noise survey indicate that noise levels are currently above the limits outlined in the existing licence. The proposed expansion of operating hours would result in elevated noise levels above the limits set for night-time which may result in a noise nuisance. In my opinion no extension of operating hours should be granted. Activities on site shall not give rise to noise levels at noise sensitive locations which exceed the following sound pressure limits:

55 dB Laeq, lhour

0800 to 2000 hours Monday - Friday inclusive,

0800 to 1400 hours Saturdays

45dB Laeq, 15 Mins.

At all other times and bank holidays.

The applicant did not submit results of tonal analysis for noise emissions however there should be no clearly audible tonal or impulsive component in the noise emission from the activity.

9. The construction and operation of the development shall not give rise to any emission of malodours, fumes, gas, dust or other deleterious materials, industry effluent and noise vibration or electrical interference generated on site such as would give reasonable cause for annoyance to any person in any residence or public place in the vicinity.

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