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Kinnegad
Co. Wexford
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To whom it may concern,

I am very concerned about the fact that Lagan Cement is looking for planning permission and an Integrated Pollution Prevention and Control license (ref No 752) to burn Meat and Bone Meal (MBM) in its cement factory at Killaskillen Kinnegad Co Meath

As I am living in the area close to the Cement Plant I wish to voice my very strong objections to this proposal

The following are the reasons for my objection:

The potential health risks to residents, livestock, Children pregnant women and unborn children. This is due to the possibility of exposure to Dioxins that may be released through the burning of MBM. I believe that insufficient research has been carried out to suggest that the burning of MBM is Harmless.

I am also very concerned about:

- Potential risk to groundwater quality (there is no Mains water in most of the area so people have to rely on their own wells)
- Potential risk to air quality
- Potential of dioxins entering the food chains through the crops and livestock of our district.
- The inevitable de-valuation of property both residential and farming as a result of the burning of MBM at this plant.
- The extra lorries on our roads used to transport this fuel
- The potential loss of farming livelihood due to the dioxins, pollutants of groundwater, air quality etc..

I have concerns that the initial burning of MBM fuels will eventually result in the incineration of many more forms of waste material at this site in the future. This is not acceptable to a rural community trying to live in a clean, healthy environmental area. I believe that there are alternative safer means of disposing of MBM which should be explored

Yours sincerely,

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