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Submission to An Bord Pleanala - Proposed Dublin Waste to Energy Project (WTE) RE:

Dear Dr. Kelly,

Dublin City Council received notification from An Bord Pleanala regarding an objection to the Bord against the proposed WTE Project. The submission includes details of an objection against the granting of a waste licence, which Dublin City Council wishes to forward to the Environmental Protection Agency for information.

If you have any queries on this matter, please contact my office.

Yours sincerely,

Dave Dinnigan

Senior Executive Officer

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A Chara.

I wish to object to the granting of a waste licence for an incinerator at the nearby Poolbeg area. I live about one mile from the site and visit the adjacent Irishtown Nature Park on a daily basis. As such I am very familiar with the appallingly filthy environment already existing in the area from the Toll Bridge eastwards to the South Bull Wall. Last year a builders providers, which set up business there had to close down. The Dublin City Council sewage works, taking sewage from all over the city for processing is an eye sore, but worse, a monument to broken promises and incompetence by the City Council as it stinks the surrounding area. I have attended a variety of 'open days' by the City Council in Ringsend advising the residents of their plans for the incinerator. These were not at all impressive and were essentially propaganda for their plans. I will not go into the undemocratic nature of the whole incinerator debate, as local government representatives have been emasculated by the Government, and un-elected officials feel duty-bound to fulfil government policy.

After much consideration my essential objection to the incinerator rests with the inevitable major increase in the traffic it will generate in an area already gradually being strangled by traffic. The idea of sitting such a facility at the heart of such a dense population area, and thereby sucking in more and more traffic cannot surely constitute good road planning or good environmental planning. Even the City Council staff themselves concede that the number of lorries going right through the city will be very substantial. The quality of life in an area can be adversely affected drastically by increasing traffic, particularly that of lorries. As a regular cyclist I am more than aware that the port already generates a huge volume of dangerous heavy lorry traffic. Indeed I have noticed signs indicating that while pedestrians/cyclists can see the lorries, the drivers of the lorries may not be able to see the pedestrians or cyclists. Already the general area is seeing practically every piece of institutional land built upon. It appears planning permissions are given on a one-to-one basis and no holistic view pertains: otherwise I cannot see how all the planning permissions are inevitably successful.

Yours sincerely

Anthony Jordan

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