

Chapel Street,
Belmullet,
Co. Mayo.

8th Nov. 2006

Mr Des Mahon,
County Manager,
Mayo County Council.

Re: **'Amended' EIS Corrib Gas Terminal**

Dear Mr. Mahon,

Thank you for your letter of 7th Nov. replying to mine of 18th Oct. 2006 emailed to the Co. Secretary. However you have ignored my letter of 24th Oct. which added substantially to the circumstances stated in that of 18th Oct. In effect it pointed out that seriously incorrect information was submitted to the EPA and appears to imply the collusion of Mayo Co. Co.

My letter of 24th Oct. makes clear that documentation recently supplied by Shell to EPA:

- purports to be an 'addendum' to the EIS but in fact alters its integrity fundamentally;
- implies that Mayo CC surreptitiously granted permission to cold-vent gas at Bellanaboy;
- claims approval of the local community for cold-venting which is demonstrably untrue.

Your letter states that "the Council has no legal power to revisit the planning application" and this is indeed the nub of the matter. The proposed refinery is designated a 'Seveso' site by the Health & Safety Authority and cold-venting of gas requires planning permission. Information regarding cold-venting was omitted from the EIS on which planning permission was granted. This renders it inaccurate and therefore invalid, as per the EU EIA Directive. Essentially, the planning permission obtained was granted on defective and deficient grounds and as such cannot be made right by means of subterfuge.

I call upon you consequently to reply to my letter of 24th Oct. in light of the above considerations bearing in mind that I have already pursued this matter very fully with the EPA and NAOSH.

Yours sincerely,

Imelda Moran.

Cc: Environmental Protection Agency; An Bord Pleanála; Health and Safety Authority;
Marine Licence Vetting Committee; Commission for Energy Regulation;
Joint Oireachtas Committee Dept. Environment and Local Government;
Joint Oireachtas Committee Dept. Communications, Marine and Natural Resources;
Central Fisheries Board, Inland Fisheries, Dept. Communications, Marine and Natural Resources;
Dept. Communications, Marine and Natural Resources;
Health Service Executive, Dept. Environment, Heritage and Local Government;
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