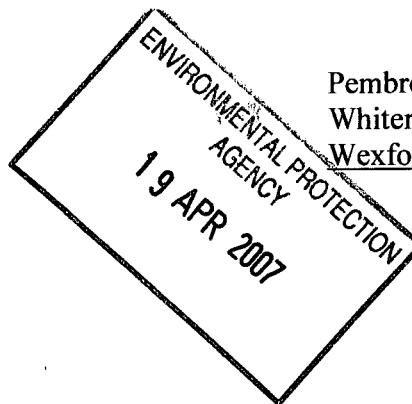


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Pembrokestown
Whiterock Hill
Wexford.



16th April, 2007

EPA,
P.O. Box 3000,
Johnstown Castle,
Wexford.

Re: Waste Licence Application W0111-03

Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to make a submission to in relation to the above application made by the 'South East Recycling Co. Ltd', based at Carrigbawn, Pembrokestown, Wexford.

I was horrified to read in last week's paper that this company was in court once again because of its failure to comply with its licence conditions. It seems that with a licence to handle 13,000 tons a year it actually succeeded in handling over 36,000 tons at this location in 2006. This was only possible because of a deliberate refusal on the part of this company to obey a notice of compliance from the EPA and because a promise by the company to direct waste elsewhere proved to be an empty one.

My horror at the above turned to total dismay when I learned that this company had applied to increase the tonnage processed under this licence from 13,000 tons to 50,000 tons. This new application must be tuned down and all the conditions of the existing licence must be enforced by the EPA and the Courts.

We have been concerned at the increase in traffic to and from this facility but we did not realise that they were operating outside the terms of their licence and did complain to you by 'phone (Marie). The extra traffic is a serious hazard for other road users and it is also interfering with the quality of our lives. The noise and vibrations from the extra heavy traffic is considerable and walking over the road is often an unpleasant experience due to the smells emanating from the site.

Exceeding the allowed tonnage is not the only way in which this company goes outside the terms of its licence. Traffic regularly moves on and off this site outside the permitted hours of business.

On Tuesday 8th April immediately after the long week-end I witnessed a number of bin lorries waiting to be weighted in before 8.00 a.m. At 7.55 a.m. there was one lorry on the weighbridge, two more waiting behind it and one other parked and waiting across the road. Where were these four lorries all week-end?

On Wednesday morning (9th April) four bin lorries which were parked inside the yard gate the night before were gone, from the fully open yard, at 7.10 a.m. At least two other lorries left the yard before 7.35 a.m. A white lorry with a closed metal bin also came and went before 7.35 and a large blue container weighed in at 7.52 a.m.

In considering this application the EPA should be mindful of the dramatic increase in the number of domestic dwellings in the area. The yard in question is about .9 of a mile from Brown's Pub. Starting at that point and travelling up the hill we come across the new Gael Scoil on the right. A little further up we have an estate of 160 houses on the left and beyond that, up on the right, we have 80 houses in Lus Mor. Immediately after that on the same side we have White Brook, Pembrokestown, with 330 housing units being built in a 27 acre field which borders the premises of South East Recycling to the rear. This estate is about half built. Across the road a site has been sold with planning for 62 houses bordering Hill View with 12 houses. Next we have Ard na Chuain which has almost 60 houses. The edge of this development furthest from Wexford town is almost opposite the entrance to the Recycling Centre yard. A further very large estate with up to 200 houses is under construction beyond this point across the road from the yard.

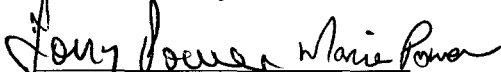
This means that the facility in question will shortly be bordered on three sides by domestic dwellings.

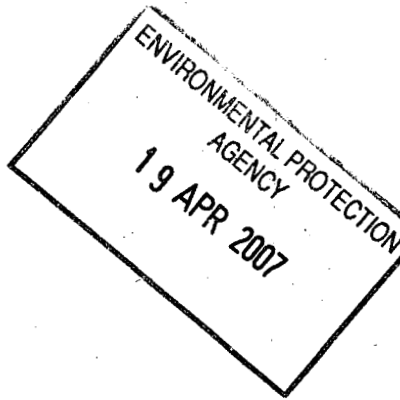
This facility should not be operating in a built-up area. It causes a serious traffic hazard. It is a serious nuisance in terms of heavy traffic noise and vibration and it is often the cause of unwelcome and unpleasant odours for those who still have the courage to walk the road.

To date the EPA has failed in its duty to protect us from this nuisance. The application to increase the tonnage should be refused outright and the company must be forced to comply fully with all the terms of the existing licence.

We are enclosing a copy of a letter sent to you by us in February 2000 when the current licence was applied for.

Yours faithfully,


TONY & MARIE POWER



Pembrokestown,
Whiterock Hill,
Wexford.

16th February, 2000

Administration,
Waste Management Licensing,
E.P.A. Headquarters,
Johnstown Castle,
Wexford.

Attention: Ms. Yvonne Clooney

Ref.: 111-1

**Re: Waste Licence Application: South East Recycling Centre at
Carrigbawn, Pembrokestown.**

Dear Yvonne,

Further to our recent correspondence in relation to the above we wish to make some additional comments and to expand on some points already made.

It is now very clear that the Whiterock Hill, Pembrokestown area is going to experience very significant building development. Builder, Tom O'Brien is at present opening up a large site at Whiterock South which, we believe, will eventually contain up to one hundred houses.

Additionally a housing development is about to begin almost directly across the road from Mr. D. Mernagh's premises. This development on the land of Mr. Seamus Cullimore will be built by Mr. Pat Hore.

A large area of land adjoining Mr. Mernagh's is believed to have been bought by another builder.

In light of the above it is unthinkable that Des Mernagh should be granted a licence as applied for.

We are enclosing some material gathered together by the residents of Barntown who successfully resisted an application by Mr. Mernagh to site his operation in that area.

A refusal by Wexford Co. Council on 23-02-'96 to grant permission for screen boundary ditches cites and gives examples of unauthorised uses, as one of the reasons for the refusal. An examination of the enclosed material will show that Mr. Mernagh has a history of non-compliance with planning conditions. To give him a licence to handle the volume of waste intended would be a disaster for this area, which is becoming more and more residential.

We believe that the licence should be refused outright and that the present operation should be moved.

Yours sincerely,

TONY POWER

MARIE POWER

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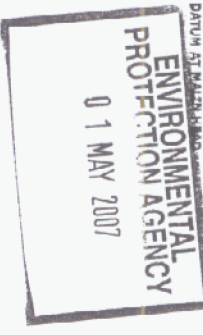
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- NOISE SENSITIVE LOCATION
- RESIDENCE

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Client:
South East Recycling Company Ltd.

Project:
Application

Title:
Existing Site Layout showing surrounding residences

Scale:
1:5,000 @ A3 (1:10,000 @ A4)

Prepared by: Checked: Date:
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