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Objection submission to IPPC licence for proposed gas refinery at Bellanaboy
Bridge, Co. Mayo (P0738/01)

Dear Sir / Madam

I refer to the above application for a licence which is before the agency.
I wish to object to the granting of an IPPC licence for a gas refinery as currently
proposed by Shell E+P Ireland Ltd, on a number of grounds as per my original
submission dated 22/4/05. The key issues are public welfare, and the safety of the
environment.

I would make reference to objector no.6 regarding the emissions to air and cold
venting issues.

I also wish to make reference to a submission lodged on 7/9/06 with similar
concerns and making note of the the lack of information being provided to the
agency by Shell E+P with regard to their licence application.

The following are particular points that the agency should take note of:

- a) No licence should be granted until all litigation before the courts has
been adjudicated on. I am one of a number of Defendants in High Court
proceedings commenced by Shell E+P. Shell are currently seeking leave
of the court to discontinue. The Defendants have counterclaimed against
Shell and the Minister for Communications etc. The judgement of the
court will have an impact on the matters now being considered by the
EPA.
- b) The gas refinery use and pollution potential cannot be assessed in the

absence of information on the intended pipeline and its route. No details of those are available.

- c) Shell have already acted in breach of Ministerial consents; it was forced to undo very substantial lengths of welded pipeline. It has, in short, a careless attitude to regulation and consents and compliance therewith.
- d) It is currently, again, engaged in development works without all the necessary consents.
- e) Carrowmore lake is now showing elevated levels of Aluminium. The only source of this dangerous pollution of drinking water is Shell's current development works at the terminal site.
- f) The historical use of the local environment or its future potential are not recognised, and the proposed development is alien to this environment.

In my opinion the EPA should have had a more hands on approach when it came to policing this development.

Yours faithfully

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