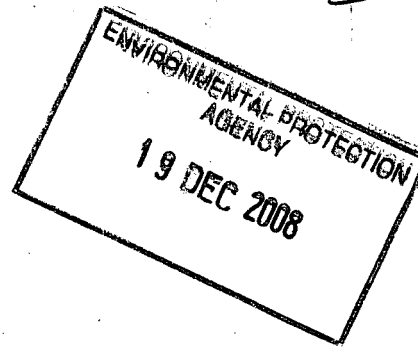


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REF: Waste Licence Application W0252-01
BUCHPA Limited
Kilmartin, Coynes Cross, Newcastle Co Wicklow

Dear Sir/Madam,

I would like to make an objection to the above-proposed development based on the following reasons.

NOT IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOOD ENVIRONMENTAL PRACTICE

The National Waste Policy document "Changing Our Ways" and subsequent national waste policy documents have set waste targets that have been incorporated in the current Waste Management Plan for County Wicklow. Specifically the target in relation to construction and demolition (C&D) waste is to RECYCLE At least 85% of C&D waste by 2013 NOT LANDFILL it as is proposed by these developers. In addition planning within Wicklow should not encourage landfill for the purposes outlined but should instead reuse such material on site in accordance with environmental best practice.

SCALE AND HEALTH HAZARD

There appears to be confusion about the exact scale of the operation. The developer's submission to the Bord Pleanala states a total importation of 3,400,000 tonnes. Yet on table Hi © of the Waste Licence Application they show 1,134,00 tonnes per annum until 2013 and a total of 5,670,000 tonnes to be imported. The EIS state a total tonnage of 4,230,000 tonnes. The applicant has applied for 250 truckloads per day, which works out at about one truck every 2-½ minutes. Such a massive operation will pollute the atmosphere and will result in a serious health hazards such as asthma, cardiac/respiratory disorders etc.

SCALE AND SAFETY

The proposed development is on such a massive scale it will cause excessive heavy traffic to a rural area. It is on a school bus route and will become a serious road safety hazard for the local families and children.

DECEPTIVE REASONS FOR LANDFILLING.

There has been no meaningful dialogue between the owners between the application and the local community. The reason for the landfill given by the developers is deceptive. They state it is for the restoration of the valley. This is not the case. In fact the valley is part of the natural landscape and has been successfully farmed on for many years.

FLORA AND FAUNA

The filling in of the valley will have serious visual impact in an area of outstanding beauty and will affect the flow of water and streams in the area. The development in this catchment area will upset the flora, fauna and wild life including the nearby Kilcoole nature reserve, which is protected under National and European legislation.

Hoping this will receive your full attention

Many thanks

Yours sincerely

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