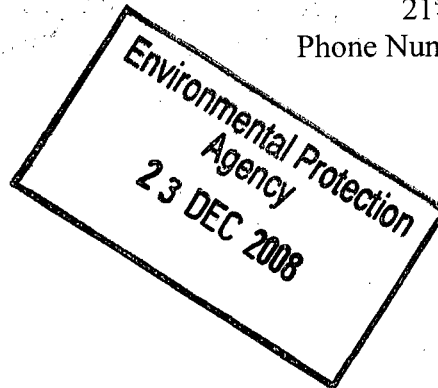


Unshinagh,
Ballyhaise,
Co. Cavan,
21st December 2008.
Phone Number: 0879012228



Environmental Protection Agency,
Office of Climate,
Licensing & resource Use,
P. O. Box 3000,
Johnstown Castle estate,
Co. Wexford.

**Re / Application by Oxigen Environmental Ltd., for a Licence to operate an
Integrated Waste Management facility at Lismagratty and Corranure
Townlands, Cootehill Road Cavan, Co Cavan.**

Your Reference: WO248/01.

Dear Sir/Madam,

I will not refer to this dump as a "facility". For the last forty or so years this area was made into a stinking, rotten, dump, and nothing has changed – it is still a stinking, rotten, dump. I remember this area as a small lake with fish in it and wild life around it, swans, herons, etc.

It was turned into a dump with air and water pollution a feature of everyday life since. I've seen dozens of rats killed on the road, infestations of gulls and crows, papers and bags blowing all over the countryside and the ever ongoing awful stink.

There have been millions of tons of rubbish from all over the eastern counties of the country dumped here. Question: Why should our area be a dumping ground for half the country? Is there not any Health & Safety Laws to protect people in the surrounding area from this enforced situation?

I have two sons one who has asthma; this is greatly aggravated by gas from the dump, either at home, in Breifne College, or just passing by on the road. As you would know the smell coming from the dump is not just an odour it is – a physical gathering of dangerous gases containing every possible type of toxin. These gases have weight and volume and represent an actual part of the rotting rubbish in the dump.

We are forced into a position where we have to breathe in these poisonous gases depending on how the wind blows. As this is quite a densely populated rural area bear in mind, everyday, some people, somewhere, are breathing in gases from this dump.

All water courses and drains from this dump are polluted and have not sustained aquatic life since the dump was opened. People with wells beside the dump have problems with pollution. This site was never a suitable location for a dump. A few years ago the mound beside the road was stripped and then covered.

The rubbish there had never rotted away and was still stinking years after being dumped there. The smell was absolutely unreal.

The point is when if ever is the rubbish going to rot away? This dump is the worst ongoing source of air and water pollution in Cavan.

Solution – CLOSE IT IMMEDIATELY.

Under no circumstances is this dump to continue as it is, or with additional development and new buildings. The way this has been run, and is being run, is a crime of a serious nature and those running it are criminally liable, e.g. if I lit a cigarette in the pub I would be breaking the law and would be answerable. There doesn't seem to be any answerability in this instance.

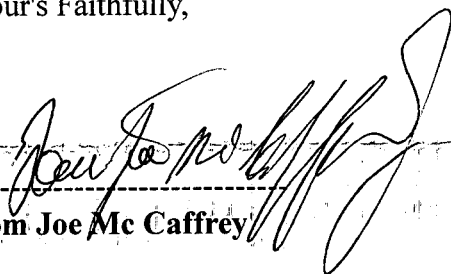
You the E.P.A. Would be negligent if you do not revoke the present licence and absolutely refuse to grant a new licence and An Bord Pleanala would be negligent and party to a serious injustice if any permission is granted for further development at this site.

This dump was filled to full capacity years ago when the little lake was filled to road level. Now it is a rotting monstrosity the height of a six story building and covering several acres.

I request that the dump be closed now, immediately as a matter of urgency.

The dump needs to be closed now.

Your's Faithfully,



Tom Joe Mc Caffrey