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8th January 2009

RE: Application by Oxigen Environmental Ltd, for a Licence to operate an Integrated Waste management Facility at Lismagratty and Corrancure Townlands, Cootehill Road, Cavan, Co. Cavan.

Your REF: WO248/01

Dear Sir/Madam,

I would like object strongly to the above application for a waste licence.

I am the mother of 3 beautiful and healthy children and am very grateful for that. I am extremely worried about the health risks associated with the gases produced at the landfill. I wonder in years to come will it be shown that the dump had serious effects on the health of the children and adults living in the Cavan area?

There are new scientific discoveries every day and surely it is not responsible to gamble with the health our children by hoping the toxic smelling gases emitted will not harm them. Any future connection made between illness and these gases surely opens the possibility of law suits and claims for the damage to people's health that we now have the opportunity to prevent.

The smell of the dump in the town area is at times unbearable and can only become worse if the above licence to extend the facility is approved. This in turn will undoubtedly have consequences for our town regarding tourism and visitors staying and spending their money here. Because of the terrible smell Cavan is already the butt of many awful jokes and it is certainly most embarrassing when family or friends come to visit.

To have a dump in close proximity to the town is ridiculas and plans for its extension are unthinkable. The horrible, smelly gases emitted from the facility are disgusting and with time may be proven to be harmful as well as repulsive. Who in their right mind can even contemplate increasing this burden on the town and its people?! If any plans should be made they should involve the removal of this facility from the vicinity of the town and moving it to an unpopulated area where no harm or inconvenience can be caused.

Obviously this facility provides an invaluable service to Cavan, however considering the possible risks and disadvantages already caused by it, perhaps serious consideration should be given to moving it to a more suitable site. I'm certain people would rather pay towards this financially now than pay for its expansion in terms of health difficulties in the future.

I truly hope you will take into account my feelings and concerns when making a decision on the application as set out at the start of my letter.

Yours sincerely,

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