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Re: Application by Oxigen Environmental Ltd, for a licence to operate an Integrated Waste Management Facility at Lismagratty and Corranure Townslands, Cavan, Co. Cavan, Your ref: W0248/01

## **Dear Sirs**

I refer to the above application and now wish to make the following objection to the granting of the above for the following reasons:

- 1. The location for the proposed facility is inappropriate given that it is in close proximity to the county town, two villages, large number of residential houses and agricultural farms. The proposed facility is also in close proximity to a number of historical forts. The sitting for the proposed development is unsuitable.
- The volume of additional traffic the proposed development will bring onto out local road will be enormous. At present the roads are unsuitable for the volumes of traffic associated with the landfill. However the projected increased volume will have serious implications for the health and safety of existing road users and the local community.
- 3. The ongoing pollution arising from the existing facility at present is totally unacceptable. This has been highlighted in the EPA's interim inspection reports of the landfill and the County Council have been previously prosecuted for their breaches of the existing licence. The present and previous operators of the landfill have been unable to operate the facility in accordance with the licence requirements. Therefore the facility should be permanently closed, as it poses a serious health and safety risk.
  - . I am living in fear due to the ongoing breaches of the Landfill Licence. This has resulted in me having serious concerns for the health and safety of my family and most importantly my grandson who has asthma. I am unable to sleep at night with the smell from the landfill.
- 5. I had to remain indoors on a number of occasions when the smell was very bad and close all windows and openings in my house to reduce the possibility of the smell entering my house. This has resulted in me being unable to enjoy my freedom around my house and gardens.
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- 6. I cannot on occasions leave clothes out on the line to dry due to the smell emanating from the landfill site.
- 7. The value of my property has been greatly reduced due to the mismanagement of the landfill facility. The area around where I live has seen a number of families moving from the area due to the Landfill. This has resulted in me loosing friends and neighbours.
- 8. I have serious concerns over the removal of the lechiate from the landfill (via tractor and tanker). Should an accident occur or the lechiate from the tanker on route leak it could contaminate my property and cause serious health risks to me and my family.
- 9. I am unable to enjoy my walks along the main road due to the volume of lorries proceeding to the landfill, while the road and hedges are littered with rubbish etc arising from the landfill.
- 10. I have reared a family of five and I am sad that they might have to move away to build houses due to the ongoing pollution while sites are available to them on the family land.

I ask that the Evironmental Protection Agency refuse this application for a licence and work towards the closure of the landfill.

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Yours faithfully