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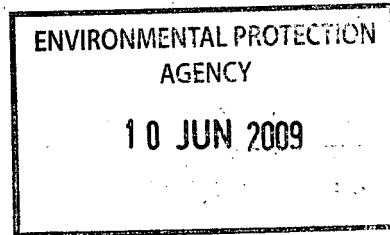
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Re: Waste Licence Application W0252-01.

Dear Ms Kennedy

Buchpa Ltd proposes to carry out a large-scale land restoration project on their land at Kilmartin, Coynes Cross, Newcastle, Co Wicklow and have applied to the EPA for a waste licence to undertake this work. The site previously had a waste permit for the importation of soil.

Waste Permit No. ESS/15/8/12-249 was granted to Buchpa Ltd on the 7th January 2007 and permitted the importation of 130,000 tonnes of inert soil to raise the level of the land and to restore it to agriculture use. The 130,000 tonnes of soil have been imported to the site and the surface has been levelled to improve the land for agricultural use.

One of the main reasons for Wicklow County Council refusing planning permission for the project was that the height of the proposed infill of the valley would have been higher than the surrounding area. This final height has been substantially lowered in the grant of permission by Bord Pleanala.

Wicklow County Council believes that this waste application is for a waste disposal activity rather than for a waste recovery activity and believes that some form of community fund should be included in any waste licence that is granted by the EPA for this project.

Yours sincerely

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