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26<sup>th</sup> July 2010

Re: **IPPC licensed facilities in Co. Monaghan**  
 Ref: **P0696-02 Jim & Mark Wright, T/A JMW Farms**  
**(History file Reg No 696)**

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With regard to recent correspondence relating to this piggery it would appear the pig manure production figures for the upgraded facility at Crosses Monaghan show a significant increase over figures submitted in 2004 with original application (Reg No 696).

In general with regard to the disposal of manures this Council would have concerns with the cumulative effects of manure disposal if the exemption under Article 34 (3) of SI No 101 of 2009 (Nitrates Regulations) resulted in the application of phosphorus in excess of crop requirement particularly in sensitive catchments, areas of gley soils, areas of significant landslope, areas of extreme groundwater vulnerability, eutrophic lake catchments and water supply source catchments.

Sustainable disposal of IAE (Intensive Agricultural Enterprise) manures on suitable land-banks and disposal in accordance with crop nutrient requirements in particular phosphorus is considered necessary to minimise further eutrophication problems in County Monaghan.

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The *Monaghan Agricultural Waste Management Study* (Teagasc, 1994) and the *Sludge Management Plan for County Monaghan* (2002) highlight some of the problems faced in Co Monaghan. The Monaghan Groundwater Protection Scheme and the associated *Groundwater Protection Responses for Land-spreading – Summary* provide additional recommendations on land-spreading IAE manures.

The environmental research report "*Quantification of Phosphorus Loss from Soil to Water*" *Synthesis Report* (EPA) discusses Phosphorus loss from soils and areas of high risk of P loss.

Please forward a map and plan for the disposal of manure from this licenced facility.

For developments with extensive yard areas the use of Sustainable Drainage Systems is recommended to minimise contamination by silts or occasional contaminants.

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