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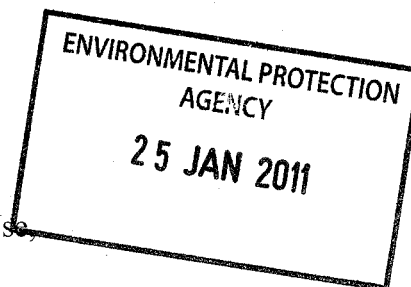
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Our Ref.: OH/AT/PC

24th January 2011

Dorota Richards
Environmental Licensing Programme
Office of Climate, Licensing & Resource Use
EPA Headquarters,
PO Box 3000,
Johnstown Castle Estate,
Co. Wexford.



**RE: Frank Brady, Corick Bridge Pig Farm, Corrick & Drummury, Cootehill, Co. Cavan
Reg.: P0924-01**

Dear Ms. Richards,

I am writing to you following receipt of correspondence from you dated 6th January 2011 regarding the application for an IPPC licence from the above named

I have examined the information available on the website which related to the proposed land available for landspreading of slurry generated on Mr. Brady's piggery (Expected Customer List).

The lands proposed for landspreading in Co. Cavan appear to be located in the Woodford Water Management Unit (WMU) which is in the North Western International River Basin District. The Dromore River, Annalee River, Bunroe River & Larah River are within this WMU and appear to be located within close proximity to the farm holdings detailed as proposed spreadlands.

Furthermore, Dunmurry Lough, Barragh Lough, White Lough (Tonaghbane/ Carrickalwy/ Corweelis), Black Lough (Corweelis/Carrickalwy), White Lough (Rakane/Tonyin), Black Lough (Rakane/Drumhurl/Corravoggy), Drumsheil Lough & Drumherriff Lough are within the Woodford WMU and appear to be located within close proximity to the farm holdings detailed as proposed spreadlands.

The operational river sampling stations which appear to be in the vicinity of these spreadlands vary between Poor & Moderate Ecological Status and must be improved to at least Good Ecological Status by 2021 in accordance with the requirements of the Water Framework Directive.

There are concerns regarding the impacts of these slurry spreading activities within these water bodies and the associated impacts on surface water quality.

It is noted that there is a lack of detail with the documents available in relation to specific locations of spreadlands for the pig slurry produced on this piggery holding. Townland names and a map denoting the farmyard location are provided and this does not give adequate information.

Given that the Local Authority is ultimately responsible for the slurry spreading activities and the enforcement & monitoring of same, the limited information that is provided on the proposed spreadlands, in particular their proximity to surface waters, is unsatisfactory.

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Should you wish to contact us regarding this matter, any correspondence should be forwarded to:

The Environment Section,

Cavan County Council,

Courthouse,

Cavan.

Phone: 049 - 4378486

Yours sincerely,

Allison Trearot

**Executive Environmental Scientist,
Environment Section.**

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