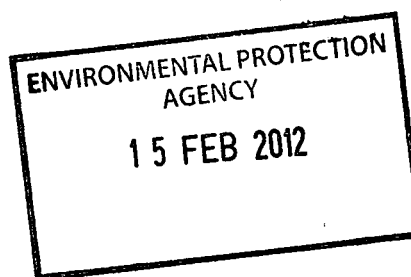




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Our Reference – BB/DD/220

February 13th, 2012

**Re: Reg. No. P0015-05 – IPPC licence review for Schering-Plough,
Rathdrum, Co. Wicklow.**

Dear Miss Oglesby,

With regard to the above IPPC review, IFI has no objections from a fisheries perspective. However, the following observations are important to highlight:

- The development is located adjacent to the main channel of the Avonmore River. The Avonmore is an important salmonid tributary of the Avoca system and supports several species listed in Annex II of the Habitats Directive including Atlantic salmon, River lamprey, Brook lamprey, Sea lamprey, and Freshwater Pearl Mussel. Fishery habitat is regarded as excellent for all salmonid life stages throughout much of system. Only clean, uncontaminated surface and storm waters must be permitted to discharge to the surface water network in the area so that the ecological status of local watercourses is protected.
- The maintenance of habitat integrity (both in-stream and riparian) is essential. The specific details of any works directly affecting watercourses or riparian habitats in the area must first be submitted to IFI for assessment.

I trust you will take our concerns on board when reviewing this license.

Yours sincerely,

Brian Beckett

Fisheries Environmental Officer – Dublin District