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P0929-01 Mr Pat Kenny Coolanoran, Newcastle West, Co. Limerick,

Dear Sir/Madam

We have been instructed by the Directors of the Swans and the Snails Ltd c/o Monica Muller, Rossport South, Ballina, County Mayo to make a submission to the above application.

We have read and compared the attached anon submission and agree with its contents.

This development has been refused Planning Permission by the Planning Authority.

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Why Is the current application being considered?

Yours faithfully

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14th of April 2011 County Limerick Office of Licensing & Enforcement **Environmental Protection Agency** Johnstown Castle Estate

Dear Sir or Madam,

PO Box 3000

Co. Wexford.

I wish to bring to your attention some serious issues concerning the environmental impact statement sent to Limerick County Council and the EPA by Mr. Pat Kenny of Coolanoran, Newcastle West, Co. Limerick as part of his application for planning permission to expand his chicken farm. As a neighbour of Pat Kenny's site I was reading the environmental impact statement available on the EPA website as like some other people I am very worried about smells and pollution from this farm affecting the lands around it in the report on page 93 it said 'An assessment of the aquatic environment surrounding and hinish Island was carried out by Montgomery EHS'. This looked very strange as aghinish island is no where near the area and made me think that there was something wrong with the environmental impact statement. After some searching on the internet I found on the EPA website some sections of an environmental impact statement from Aughinish Alumna which contained the same reference to Aughinish Island.

When I compared the environmental impact statement from Pat Kenny with the sections of the Aughinish documents I found that Mr Kenny's impact statement was almost identical to the impact statement sent to the ERA in 2007 by Aughinish Alumina. Most sections in Mr Kenny's statement can be traced to a section in the Aughinish reports even though they were done by different consultants (RPS for Aughinish and Montgomery EHS for Pat Kenny), different years and for 2 completely different sites. As well as having the same headings for sections, the same wording is often used and they both reached the same conclusions! How can it be that a chicken farm and a large factory have the same environmental impact statements?

The more I went through the 2 documents the more issues I found. In some sections the EXACT same conclusions were reached: sections 7.5.3, 7.5.4, 8.7 and Section C of Pat Kenny's statement and sections 11.5.4, 11.5.6, 12.7 and Section C of Aughinish's. I have put together a list of the sections I found that were the same in both and put it in the table.

As you can see I found lots of sections in both documents that were identical, too many for this just to be a coincidence. I do not want to fall out with my neighbour about this but this needs to be looked at by the EPA and Limerick County Council before deciding if Mr Kenny gets his planning permission. I think that this entire environmental impact statement has been copied word for word and needs to be re-done. If this type of behaviour is not caught by the EPA how can we have faith in them to protect our environment? What else has been done wrong as part of Mr Kennys application? Can we believe a word of the so called results he is using to say that his farm will have no impact on our countryside? Either Mr Kenny or the people he hired should answer for this. The EPA need to investigate this as a matter of urgency.



I am sending copies of this letter to the EPA, Limerick County Council and Mr. Kenny. I am not sending a copy to the Limerick Leader & the Kerryman yet but if Mr Kenny is given planning permission on the basis of this environmental impact statement I will send copies to all my neighbours and the papers.

Pat Kenny sections	Aughinish sections	Pat Kenny sections	Aughinish sections
1.2.1	4.2.1	6.6	10.6.1
1.3	4.3	7.1	11.1
1.4	4.4	7.3.3.2	11.3.4.2
3	5	7.3.4	11.3.5
3.1	5.1	7.5.3	11.5.4
4	6.1	7.5.4	11.5.6
Part II	Part II	7.5.5	11.5.7
Section A	Section A	7.6.1	11.6.1
5 Air Quality & Climate	9 Air Quality	7.7	و. 11.7
5.2.1.1	9.2.1.3	Section B	Section B
5.3	9.3	8.6	12.6 12.7 13.5.6
5.6.1	9.6.1	8.7	12.7
5.6.2	9.6.2	9.4.1	13.5.6
6.1	10.1	117 65	13.6
6.2	10.2	On The Oak	15.1
6.2.2	10.2.3	9.4.1 Section D	16
6.3.1	10.3.1	Section C	Section C
6.4	10.4.2	of 112 13	· 18
6.5	10,5	Section D	Section D

Yours sincerely

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