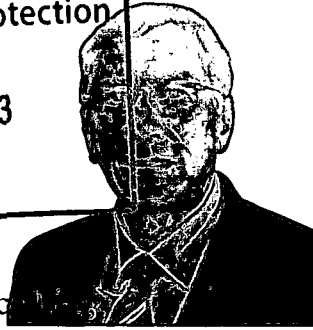


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Office of Climate, Licensing & Resources
PO Box 3000,
Johnston Castle Estate,
County Wexford.

Dear Sir/Madam,

**Re: Application by Dublin City Council on 20th December 2012
for Disposal of Spoil generated by the Tunnelling of the Ringsend
Wastewater Treatment Works**

I wish to lodge an objection in respect of the granting of a permit for this proposed project on the following grounds:

- I call on you to refuse the pre-Christmas permit application by Dublin City Council for the dumping of 824,000 tonnes of spoil in Dublin Bay approximately 3 km from the Baily at Howth, under the Dumping at Sea Acts 1996 to 2010.
- This massive amount of spoil (824,000 tonnes) which will emanate from the tunnelling at the Ringsend Wastewater Treatment works extension due to commence in 2014 will detrimental to the amenity of Dublin Bay and its enjoyment by the citizens of the city and the wider Dublin area,
- I believe that Dublin City Council should consider alternatives to dumping the material on the Dublin Bay seabed as the cloud/plume/dirt from the proposed dumping would be swept back into the bay on the tide.
- Sub Aqua Clubs who use the amenity of Dublin Bay have raised the safety concerns of sportspeople as it would detrimentally affect the visibility and clarity of the water.

I would be grateful if you will take all of these points into account when making a decision in respect the permit application.

Yours sincerely,

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