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Administration Dumping at Sea EPA PO Box 3000 Johnstown Castle Estate Wexford

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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A Chara,

I have been contacted by Mr Maurice O'Connell, North Sails Ireland, prof@irl.northsails.com.

Enclosed please see correspondence from Mr. O'Connell.

I would be most grateful if you could examine this case and let me know the up to date position.

Kind regards

Yours sincerely

Simon Coveney T.D.

Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine

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Subject: Attachments:

FW: Dumping at Sea - Dublin Bay Dublin City Council objection Final.doc

**From:** Maurice O'Connell [mailto:prof@irl.northsails.com]

Sent: 30 January 2013 21:20

To: Simon Coveney

Subject: Dumping at Sea - Dublin Bay

Hi Simon,

Hope all well.

Am sure you have enough on your plate in the agriculture scene right now. Very briefly, Dublin City Council has applied to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to dump over 800,000 tonnes of spoil into Dublin Bay over a three year period. It is claimed in their application that it will have no adverse effect on the quality of water in the bay. Obviously not true.

I cannot see why this dumping should not take place further out into the Irish Sea and thus protect the natural habitat (and indeed the businesses that depend on it) in Dublin Bay.

Perhaps one of your people can make enquiries.

Thanks,

Prof.

Maurice O'Connell

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