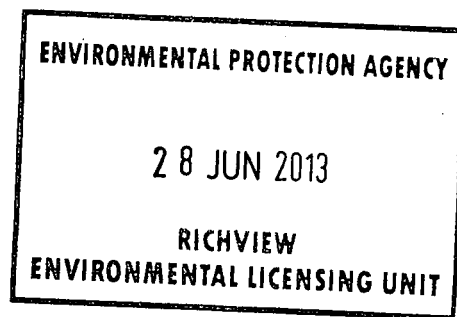


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Submission No. 5

Mr. Patrick Byrne,
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Mc. Cumiskey House,
Richview,
Clonskeagh Road,
Dublin, 14.



Re: Lakeland Dairies Co-operative Society Ltd. -
IPPC licence application P0 800-03

Dear Mr. Byrne,

I would like to make a few comments
on Lakeland Dairies Application for licence
P0 800-03 and their correspondence regarding
same, dated: 4th June 2013, addressed to
Ms. Noeleen Keavey, E.P.A., Wexford.

In relation to paragraph 1 of that letter, I
wish to state that any comments made
by me to date, are based on truth
and are factual.

"The Co-op, since July, 2009 has engaged
in many communications, meetings and
consultations with Mr. and Mrs. Burns and
has carried out independent investigations to
address the concerns of Mr. & Mrs Burns."

The questions to be asked / answered are :-
Why did we have all this hassle?
Did we ask for all this annoyance?

- 3) Is it courteous, reasonable or kind that we were so troubled by Lakelands?
- 4) Why have problems not been resolved?
- 5) Why is there noise from Lakeland Dairies eg. Casein Plant, still, in our home?
- 6) Why has the issue of glaring light pollution not been addressed/remedied?
- 7) What does the word 'independent' mean? Does it mean that Lakeland Dairies or any other body, may employ a company to carry out an investigation on their own behalf, with Party B, ie. - ourselves having "no input."

We are aware of obligations under Health and Safety, very aware.

We never suggested that this matter should be compromised in any way, whatsoever. I was in charge of Health & Safety in my place of work - a large national school, for 25 years.

That speaks for itself!

The Co-op themselves sent us a copy of report of 'their' 'independent' electrical consultant/engineer, in relation to a Lighting assessment and he found "that light pollution to neighbouring properties is not an issue." He did not engage with us at all and lights causing glare/annoyance/headaches were not examined from our home/site. We never saw/heard/spoke with anybody in relation to our concerns ^{ongoing} since March 2010 - we were just sent findings from apparently - survey done in creamery - (Lakeland)

grounds " and outside their boundary wall along Church Street."

Their recordings also found that "light levels were higher on the street, than within the site" (ie. County Council Street lights)

I don't understand what high or low has to do with anything, nor do I understand what Lakelands are trying to convey, by this observation/remark.

Lights, — street lights are yellow and high. They are completely tilted to light the ground/road/footpath.

Thus, they are not cutting the eyes out of anyone.

This wouldn't/couldn't be allowed.

Also, they are effective and doing the job they are meant to be doing.

We have been seeing those lights from our home/garden for 40 years now and have never had any problem with them.

On the other hand, the offending lights from Lakeland Dairies are white/glaring/high/some have been tilted down to ground with a huge amount of hassle; some have never been tilted down, as yet.

They are shining into our home/garden. They have been/are annoying us.

In Environmental Manager's last paragraph, he writes: "We will look again at the specific lights referred to by Mrs. Burns and see if these can be adjusted while still maintaining a minimum level of lighting on the yard."

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After 3 years and 3 months, trouble and annoyance from our perspective, I doubt if this will happen!

There needs to be a regulation about lights, put in place, promptly, to compel those 'lovely people' to comply and yes, install proper lights that will light their own yard and not glaring out to the countryside and, into our home and garden.

Thank you.

Yours faithfully,

Owen & Noreen Barns.

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