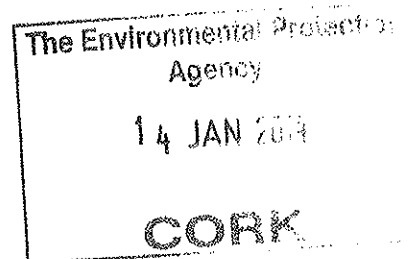


**HSE EIS SUBMISSION REPORT**  
Environmental Health Service Consultation Report  
(as a Statutory Consultee (Planning and Development Act, s 2000,  
& Regulations made thereunder).

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**Type of consultation:** Environmental Impact Statement (Human Environment Assessment)

**Planning Authority:** Limerick City Council

**Reference Number:** W0281-01

**Applicant:** Bord Gais Eireann

**Proposed Development:** Construction of a District Regulator Installation (DRI) Unit and relocation of the existing ESB sub-station to the O'Curry Street elevation. The demolition of the remaining masonry wall on O'Curry Street (between the junction with Dock Road and the DRL) and rebuilding of same in rendered blockwork. The demolition of the free-standing internal walls (with the exception of the short return walls that form part of NIAH Reference 21517005, which will be retained), boundary improvement works to the St. James Mews boundary walls and provision of a granular cover layer over the entire site. The development will also include the remediation clean-up of the contaminated soil that lies within the footprint of the site. A Waste Licence application (accompanied by an Environmental Protection Agency (Reg. No: W0280-01) under the Waste Licence Management Act 2011-2011. The site contains 2 no. protected structures (Record of Protected Structures Reference numbers RPS261 & RPS326). An Environmental Impact Statement and Natura Impact Statement will accompany the planning application.

**Introduction**

This office has examined the further information submitted in support of the waste licence application connection with the above proposal.

- 1) A detailed pest control management plan -stated to be included

2) The development of a more detailed consultation/communication plan i.e. one which provides an immediate response to the emergency out-of-hours phone number provided

The Mouchel response on Point 2 states that *"It is anticipated that a complaints "call service" facility will be established such that, where possible, a response will be provided within a maximum of 24hrs during the week and within a maximum of 48 hrs at weekends. The Remediation Contractor will also be responsible for reporting and liaising with Bord Gais and Mouchel in response to any call queries and in taking appropriate measures in response to complaints.*

*Bord Gais also propose to appoint a Local Liaison Officer for the duration of the remediation works, who will be available to visit residents and other stakeholders as required."*

The proposal to appoint a Local Liaison Officer is welcome - the revised plan also improves upon the 72 hour response for complaints to the emergency out of hours phone number described in the original EIS and effectively commits to response on the next working day at the latest.

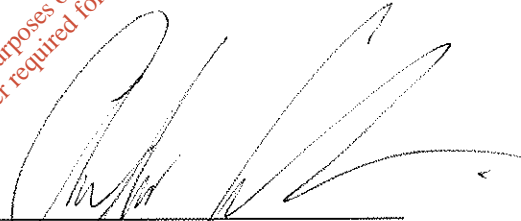
Experience with odour problems however indicates that the absence of an immediate response may increase the burden of calls during evenings and weekends when odour may be experienced to the licensing authority( EPA) and to the authority with statutory responsibility for local air quality(Limerick City/County Council).

It should preferably be specified therefore within the contract how the Local Liaison Officer and/or Remediation Contractor (when appointed) may be contacted by statutory authorities in receipt of such complaints outside site working hours to assist the Remediation Contractor *"in taking appropriate measures in response to complaints"* without delay.

Yours faithfully,



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