

## Grainne Oglesby

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Grainne,

Apologies for the delay in replying to the initial request.

Please find attached the Planning Authority response, a hard copy will follow in the post.

I will also forward Greenore Port, Carrick Road and Corderry asap.

Regards,  
Karen Hamilton  
A/ Senior Executive Planner

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Anne,

Please forward response to EPA in relation to information on an IE Licence application for Drogheda Port, Drogheda.

**RE: EPA IE Licence application, Drogheda Port.**

Drogheda Port applied for and received a Section 5 declaration for the designation of a set down area, inter alias hard standing, storage area for containers and storage for general cargo as included below:

The designation of a set down area within the Tom Roes Point Port facility for the building of waste cargo shipments of 'Solid Recovered Fuels' (SRF) and 'Refuse Derived Fuels' (RDF) for export and the proposed increase in annual export tonnage throughput of 'Solid Recovered Fuels' (SRF) and 'Refuse Derived Fuels' (RDF) up to 500,000 tonnes per annum within the designated set down area is exempt from the requirement to obtain planning permission under the exempted development regulations is development under the meaning of the Planning and Development Acts, 2000 - 2011.

The development does not result in a material change of use of the land in question as delineated by drawing 09-07-011B from that granted permission under planning references 94/570, 00/1226 and 04/803, inter alias *hard standing, storage area for containers and storage for general cargo* and hence is exempted development.

**NOW THEREFORE** Louth County Council in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Section 5 (2) (a) of the Planning and Development Acts 2000-2011, that the development is 'development' and is 'exempted development'.

Based on the above and internal confirmation from the Environment Section that there is no objection, the Planning Authority has no objection to the IE Licence application.

Please note that Under Article 9 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) there are certain '*restrictions on exemption*' and as such the planning authority would be precluded from issuing a S5 declaration if development fell within such a restriction as stipulated in Article 9 (e.g. traffic hazard, unauthorized development etc.). One of the specific restrictions set out in the regulations relates to development that requires an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA), ergo the planning authority would not have been in a position to issue the Section 5 declaration reg. ref. S5-2014-20 had it been considered that

the proposed development required an EIS. Should the EPA believe that the use would require an EIS it is requested to refer this Licence application back to the Planning Authority.

Regards,  
Karen Hamilton

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