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Subject: FW: WFP-CK-15-0148-01 Forge Hill Recycling Limited
Attachments: Letter 13 4 2017.pdf; Complaint March 2017.pdf

From: Jean Sayers
Sent: 19 May 2017 10:52
To: Caroline Murphy
Subject: RE: WFP-CK-15-0148-01 Forge Hill Recycling Limited

Caroline

I refer to your email hereunder in relation to the above referenced and provide my comments below in relation to same:

1. What their compliance record is like generally;

Cork County Council carried out an inspection of Forge Hill Recycling Limited's facility at Forge Hill Cork on the 29th of March 2017 further to ongoing monitoring within the Council's functional area and further to receiving a complaint in relation to odour and vermin, copy of report detailing CCC findings on the day, is attached. The information sought at the time is still outstanding.

2. How many complaints have been received and for which issues e.g. noise, odour etc;

I am aware of just one complaint being received since waste facility permit WFP-CK-15-0148-01 was granted on the 21st of December 2015, in relation to odour and vermin. The EPA would also have received a copy of this complaint through NIECE which was forwarded to the Council, I attach same for your information.

3. How many incidents have been reported; and

There were two notifications of dust deposition level exceedance made by the Permit Holder's Consultant on the 26th of April 2017 and the 2nd of May 2017- if you want copies of these notifications I can forward them to you.

4. Are there any issues with the facility we should be aware of?

A review application pertaining to waste facility permit WFP-CK-15-0148-01 was received on the 18th of August 2016 by the Council. This application is pending as the Council awaits further information from the Permit Holder pertaining to same i.e. Waste Facility Permit Review Application- WFP-CK-15-0148-02.

I trust the aforementioned provides you with the information you require regarding the foregoing.

Regards
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From: Caroline Murphy [mailto:C.Murphy@epa.ie]
Sent: 18 May 2017 14:16
To: Jean Sayers
Subject: WFP-CK-15-0148-01 Forge Hill Recycling Limited

Hi Jean,

RE: WFP-CK-15-0148-01 Forge Hill Recycling Limited

I hope all's well in Cork.

Jean I'm processing Forge Hill Recycling Limited's waste licence application and I was wondering if you could give me some information with regard to the current waste facility permit.

The applicant has supplied a copy of the above waste facility permit as part of the application and I can see this was issued in 21/12/2015.

I was hoping you could confirm:

5. What their compliance record is like generally;
6. How many complaints have been received and for which issues e.g. noise, odour etc;
7. How many incidents have been reported; and
8. Are there any issues with the facility we should be aware of?

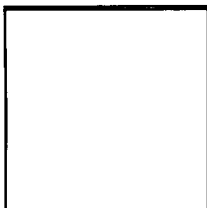
Kind regards,
Caroline

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13th of April 2017

REF: Waste Facility Permit No: WFP-CK-15-0148-01

Permit Holder: Forge Hill Recycling Limited
Location of Facility: Forge Hill, Co. Cork

Dear Permit Holder,

Cork County Council is writing further to ongoing waste monitoring within Cork County Council's Functional Area and further to carrying out a site inspection of Forge Hill Recycling Ltd's waste facility located at Forge Hill, Cork following receipt of a complaint in relation to the site pertaining to odour and vermin.

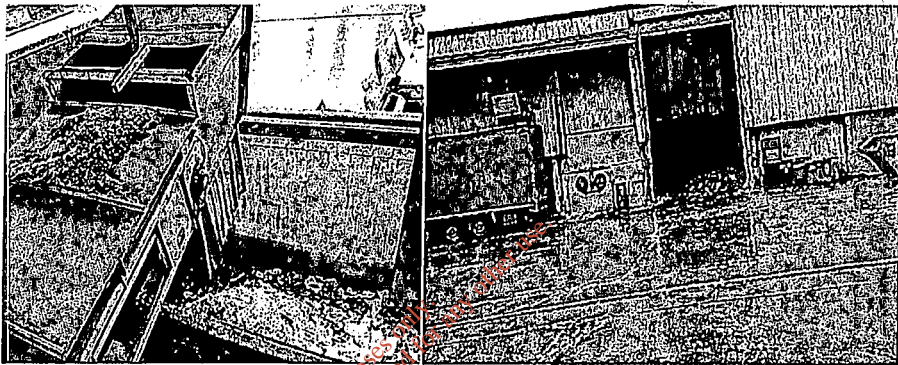
The following summary report details the Local Authority's findings following an unscheduled site inspection at Forge Hill Recycling Ltd.'s facility at Forge Hill, Co. Cork on the 29th of March 2017.

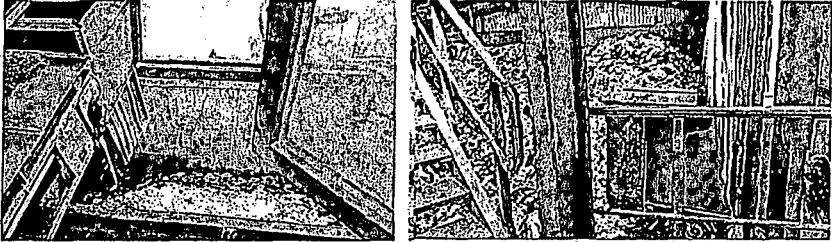
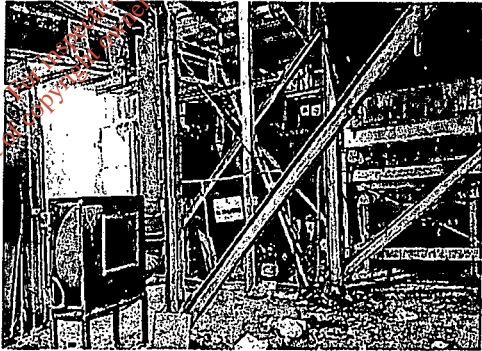
Introduction:

The site inspection was carried out by Council staff (Mr. Lovemore Katsamudanga, Mr. Fx O' Dwyer and Ms Jean Sayers) assisted by Mr. Brian Bruton, Facility Manager, Forge Hill Recycling Ltd. The site inspection commenced with a meeting followed by a tour of the site. A number of observations were made in the course of the meeting, the site tour and noted as part of the compliance visit by the Local Authority.

The Facility Manager provided details regarding the Human Environment and Transport Inspectorate (ILT) request that containers of waste, which originated from Forge Hill Recycling Ltd facility at Forge Hill Cork be returned having been stopped in Rotterdam before Christmas 2016. The containers were returned to the Port of Cork on the 21st January 2017. (The containers had been declared to be carrying waste paper destined for recovery at a facility in China; however on further inspection ILT classified the material as mixed waste). Having inspected 3 bales from 3 containers and visually inspected all of the bales in the other 25 containers Cork County Council understands that the NTFISO found that Forge Hill Recycling Ltd had no case to answer and subsequently did not prosecute the Company.

This inspection concentrated on a number of conditions attached to waste facility permit WFP-CK-15-0148-01 as listed in the table hereunder:

Conditions attached to waste facility permit WFP-CK-15-0148-01 reviewed on the 29/3/2017	
Condition	Outcome from Site Inspection
3.4	<p>Template 3 The Permit Holder is required to demonstrate compliance with condition 3.4 by submitting information for January to March 2017 by the 5th of May 2017. The register shall detail the information as per condition 3.4</p>
3.9	<p>Register of Complaints The Permit Holder is required to submit a copy of its complaint's register by the 5th of May 2017.</p>
4.18	<p>Dust and Odour Control</p>  <p>The Permit Holder is required to demonstrate compliance with condition 4.18 and submit details by the 5th of May 2017 including photographic evidence – please refer to comments pertaining to conditions 6.11, 6.13 & 6.16 hereunder together with current situation on the ground as depicted in the above photographs when formulating your response.</p>
5.1	<p>Permitted Wastes</p> <p>Condition 5.1 stipulates that the permit holder shall ensure that the annual intake of waste shall not exceed 49,999 tonnes. It appears from records submitted on the 3/4/2017 by the Facility Manager by email that in excess of 52,000t was accepted on site in 8 months. The Permit Holder is required to demonstrate compliance with condition 5.1 and submit details by the 5th of May 2017 including measures as to how the Permit Holder intends to refrain from exceeding the allowable annual intake of waste noting that approximately 40% of the annual intake permitted onto site has been reached in the first 3 months of 2017.</p>
5.5	<p>Waste Acceptance Hours and Hours of Operation</p> <p>It appears from discussions with the Facility Manager that the plant is operating outside the hours stipulated on the waste facility permit as provided for under condition 5.5 The Permit Holder is required to demonstrate compliance with condition 5.5 and submit details by the 5th of May 2017.</p>
5.15	<p>Waste Handling, Ventilation & Processing Plant</p> <p>The Permit Holder is required to demonstrate compliance with condition 5.15 and submit details by the 5th of May 2017 including provision of tonnage accepted and processed per day/ per week/ per month, tonnage when the plant is front loaded, staff numbers noting the requirements of condition 5.5 etc.</p>

Conditions attached to waste facility permit WFP-CK-15-0148-01 reviewed on the 29/3/2017	
Condition	Outcome from Site Inspection
5.20/ 5.21	<p>Waste Storage/ Waste Processing</p> <p>The Permit Holder is required to demonstrate compliance with conditions 5.20/5.21 and submit details by the 5th of May 2017 including control measures to ensure continual compliance with said conditions noting the content of photograph submitted on the 3/4/2017 compared to what was evident during the Council site visit – please refer to photographs hereunder from 29/3/2017:</p> 
5.22	<p>Waste Inspection and Quarantine</p> <p>The Permit Holder is required to demonstrate compliance with conditions 5.22-5.25 and submit details by the 5th of May 2017 including photographic evidence – please refer to current situation on the ground as depicted in the photograph hereunder when formulating your response.</p> 
6.11/ 6.13/6.16	<p>Nuisance Control/ Dust and Odour Control</p> <p>At the start of the meeting on the 29/3/2017 Council Staff informed the Facility Manager that the Council was in receipt of an odour and vermin complaint pertaining to the facility. The Facility Manager stated that the Permit Holder had received a complaint regarding odour and vermin on the 24/3/2017 and subsequently met with the complainant on the 28/3/2017.</p> <p>The Facility Manager confirmed that the Permit Holder is to continue to engage with the complainant, to carry out regular sniff tests and to put control measures in place in relation to odour. In addition the Facility Manager stated that additional bait boxes will be put in place and that activity within the bait boxes will be monitored.</p> <p>The Permit Holder is required to demonstrate compliance with conditions 6.11, 6.13 and 6.16, detailing schedule/location / details for the provision of odour control measures and additional bait boxes on site together with program for monitoring activity in the bait boxes etc and submit same to the Local Authority by the 5th of May 2017.</p>

It was evident from the site inspection that material was being stored within the extension, the subject matter of waste facility permit review application WFP-CK-15-0148-02. As per the Council's letter of the 7th of July 2016 the extension to the Existing Materials Recycling Facility cannot be used until such time as the extension is regularised under Waste Management Legislation as this area did not form part of waste facility permit application WFP-CK-15-0148-01. The content of the photograph received on the 3/4/2017 pertaining to this area is noted.

Findings from the site inspection

- You have been found to be in Non-Compliance with some of the conditions attached to your 'Waste Facility Permit' as set out in this Report.
- You are required to take corrective actions to correct the non-compliances and observations raised in this report within the specified period.
- Please submit details of same to Cork County Council within the timeframes as specified in the Audit Report detailing how the non-compliances and observations specified in the Audit Report are to be rectified.

Cork County Council may further inspect your 'Waste Facility Permit' at any time in the future to ensure all proposed measures are put in place in order to have compliance with the conditions attached to your waste facility permit and these conditions are adhered to.


Please note that the inspection process is a random sample on a particular day of a permit holder's compliance with the conditions of the permit. *Where non-compliance against a particular condition has not been reported, this should not be construed to mean that there is full compliance with same.*


The above is without prejudice to future actions by Cork County Council in order to fulfil its duties under Waste Management Act 1996.

Yours sincerely,



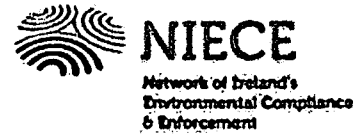
Fx O Dwyer

cc 
Lovemore Katsamudanga


Jean Sayers

New Environmental Complaint

Received By: Vicky Sylvester
 Call 11890 Employee
 Date: 23 Mar 2017 16:59



Basic Information			
Complaint ID	4358	Received By	Vicky Sylvester
Date Received	23 Mar 2017 16:59	Call Type	New Complaint
Complaint Information			
Filed In	Air/Odour	Sent To CC	Cork Co.
Filed Under	Odour Other	County	Cork
Complaint Location		Previous Complaints	
Address	Forge Hill Kinsale Road Cork	N/A	
County	Cork		
Complainant Information		Offender Information	
Anonymous?	No	Known to Complainant?	No
Confidential?	No	Gender	
Name	James McCarthy	Age	
Telephone		Car Registration	
Mobile	0872566049	Notes	
Email			
Address			

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Directions/Notes

Additional Notes

Complaint smell and rats coming from the recycling plant.

Incident Specifics

Where is your location in relation to the source of the smell?	Next Door
How strong is the smell?	Pungent
How frequently do you notice the smell?	Every Day
Are there any hazards in the area posing a threat to an inspector?	Not Sure
Have you reported to another body previously (ask When, Who and How)?	To the manager of the recycling plant.
Does your complaint relate to an EPA licensed facility, landfill or municipal dump?	Don't Know: Doesnt Know

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