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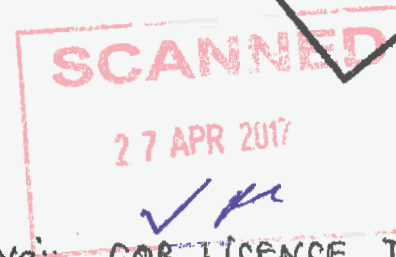
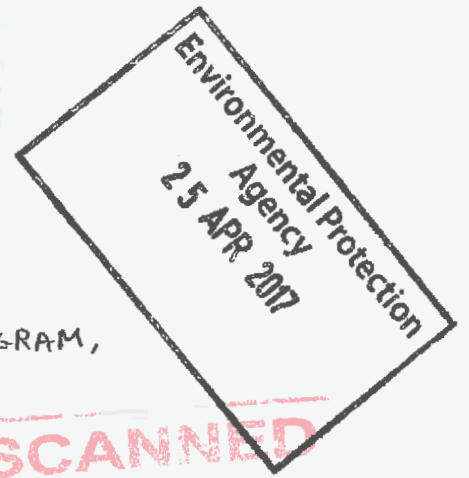
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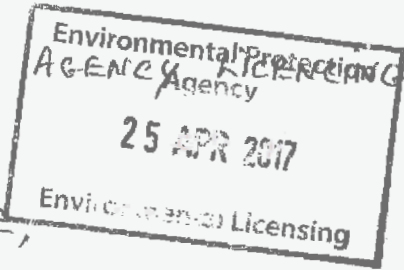
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SUBMISSION RE APPLICATION BY SLIGO CO. COUNCIL FOR LICENCE TO  
DUMP DREDGED MATERIAL AT A SITE 34 NAUTICAL MILES N.W. OF SLIGO  
PORT AND 30 KM'S NORTH OF DOWNPATRICK HEAD.

DEAR SIRS

THIS SITE IS LOCATED IN CENTRE OF CRUSTACEA FISHING GROUND  
FROM WHICH BY TRADITION 150 LOBSTER FISHERMEN DERIVE INCOME. THESE  
FISHERMEN HAVE RE-STOCKED THESE GROUNDS WITH JUVENILE LOBSTERS AND EGG  
BEARING ADULT HEN LOBSTERS OVER 30 YEARS. IRISH DEPT. OF MARINE, EU  
IRELAND FUND, PRIVATE INDUSTRIES, CO-OPERATIVES AND FISHERMEN HAVE ALL  
CONTRIBUTED SUBSTANTIAL FUNDING.

LOBSTERS AND OTHER CRUSTACEA ARE VERY SENSITIVE TO CHANGES  
IN ORGANIC AND INORGANIC CONSTITUENTS IN SEAWATER. COPPER IS HIGHLY  
TOXIC WHILE CADMIUM CONCENTRATES IN THE HEPATIC PORTAL SYSTEMS  
AND AFFECTS MARKETABILITY OF PRODUCTS ESPECIALLY IN NEW CHINESE  
MARKETS. BECAUSE OF BARYTES MINING IN PAST, IT COULD BE POSSIBLE  
THAT THE SILT HAS ELEVATED CADMIUM.

BEARING THESE FACTS IN MIND MULLAGHMORE SEAFARM PROPOSE  
THAT  
A FORENSIC ANALYSIS BE CARRIED OUT ON SILT TO BE DUMPED  
A DISTRIBUTION MAP SHOWING WHERE MATERIALS WILL DRIFT  
A DETAILED REPORT ON CONCENTRATIONS OF ORGANICS AND  
INORGANICS IN SILT BE PRODUCED.  
SLIGO CO. CO. SEEK ADVICE FROM OTHER CO. COUNCILS RE  
PREVIOUS SIMILAR DUMPING ESPECIALLY DONEGAL CO. CO.

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THE RESULTS OF ABOVE PROPOSALS TO BE MADE AVAILABLE TO INTERESTED PARTIES PRIOR TO GRANTING A PERMIT.

FINALLY SLIGO CO. COUNCIL PROVIDE AN INDEMNITY BOND WHICH COULD PROVIDE COMPENSATION TO FISHERMEN AND FISHING BUSINESSES SHOULD FISHING STOCKS BE AFFECTED AND INCOMES OF AFFECTED PARTIES.

HAVING TAKEN ADEQUATE PRECAUTIONS WE SEE NO REASON THAT A LICENCE/PERMIT CANNOT BE GRANTED.

YOURS FAITHFULLY,

DATHI O'DOWD

DIRECTOR,

MULLAGHMORE SEAFARM LTD.

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