

Environmental Protection Agency Office of Climate Licensing & Resource Use PO Box 3000 Johnstown Castle Estate Co. Wexford

15th April 2009-04-16

Re: Application by Oxygen Environmental Ltd, for a licence to operate an integrated Waste Management Facility at Lismagratty and Corranure Townlands, Cavan, Co. Cavan.

Your ref: W0248/01

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to ask that the Environmental Protection Agency refuse the above application and close the present facility.

I live about one mile from the landfill, for years I have had to endure its ugly sight and smell. In recent years the smell coming from the landfill has got even stronger and more noxious. Weekly there are days when it is not possible to open a window in the house due to the smell. This is despite promises from Cavan County Council and Oxygen that the problem will be addressed.

This air pollution has been persistent and obvious for years now and little has been done to solve the problem.

I also have great concerns regarding the effect such a facility has on a less obvious but possibly more important aspect of the local environment, the quality of the water in the area. I cannot see how a landfill of that size cannot affect the quality of the water in the area, in particular, the wells in the area that serve the local community.

Going on past performance I have no faith that Oxygen will operate the proposed facility as set out in the licence. Oxygen has a history of breaching licences and regulations. This can be seen when the Environmental Protection Agency forced them to close the landfill in Corranure for two weeks prior to Christmas 2008 for breaching regulations.

Again, I call on the Environmental Protection Agency to refuse the above application and to close the present facility.

Yours sincerely,