



Submission

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Application

Applicant:	GCHL LIMITED
Reg. No.:	W0298-01

See below for Submission details.

Attachments are displayed on the following page(s).

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to you after attending a public meeting in the Broadford House on the 9/5/19. Concerns were raised by the residents association and members of the public about the potential impact that the Ballinderry pit could have on drinking water in the area. It has recently been brought to my attention that the HSE has carried out tests on six wells. All are contaminated, other houses have paid for private tests which were also contaminated.

I have attached the redacted copies of two of the reports received from Kildare Co Council. There are another 25 houses within a 500m radius that have not been tested. In light of this new information I request that the following actions should be taken into consideration.

- All drinking water of houses within a 1km radius be tested.
- That all dumping to the Ballinderry site cease until a full independent investigation is carried out by the EPA to assess what impact the dump is having on the local water and potentially surrounding areas. The river Gnash is nearby which is a tributary to the Boyne.
- If it can shown with evidence that GCHL LIMITED have breached any of the planning and Environmental regulations that they be held accountable.
- That all toxic waste be removed from the Ballinderry site and refilled with suitable material.

Yours
Séamus Ó Riain
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Environmental Health Service,

The Crossings, Dublin Rd,

Naas, Co. Kildare

045 920267

21/06/2018

RE: European Union (Drinking Water) Regulations 2014-2017

This is to inform you that the drinking water sample taken at your home on the 19th June 2018 was submitted to The Central Laboratory, Marrowbone Lane, Dublin 8 for chemical and microbiological analysis.

The preliminary microbiological results found to be non-compliant are as follows:

Microbiological parameter	Result	Legal Limit MPN/100ml	Outcome
Total Coliform MPN/100ml	691	0	Non-compliant/unsatisfactory
E.coli MPN/100ml	1	0	Non-compliant/unsatisfactory

The result of the microbiological analysis carried out indicates that the sample was unsatisfactory and failed to meet the parametric values set out in the above legislation.

I strongly advise that you should boil the well water by bringing it to a vigorous rolling boil and allowing it to cool prior to consumption. This will kill any harmful bacteria and pathogens present in the drinking water. It is advisable to fill a container with the boiled water, cover and store in a refrigerator or cold place. Great care should be taken to avoid burns and scalds especially with children in the household.

Enclosed you will find the following two leaflets:

- **Is your well at risk from your septic tank?**
- **Have you checked your well water supply? System Safe Private well protection & maintenance**



Environmental Health Service,

The Crossings, Dublin Rd,

Naas, Co. Kildare

045 920267

08/05/2019

RE: European Union (Drinking Water) Regulations 2014-2017

This is to inform you that the drinking water sample taken at your home on the 14/03/ 2019 was submitted to The Central Laboratory, Marrowbone Lane, Dublin 8 for chemical and microbiological analysis.

Please see attached for result.

I strongly advise that you should continue with the measures outlined to you in previous correspondence.

It is recommended that you should install a water treatment/disinfection system to your drinking water supply. There exists a **Grant for the Provision or Necessary Improvement of an Individual Water Supply to a House** which is administered by the Rural Water Section of Kildare County Council. You have also been sent this information in previous correspondence.

Should you have further queries in relation to this grant please call: Kildare County Council, Rural Water Section, Water Services 045 980323 or 980336.

If you have any further Queries you may contact me 045920267

Yours sincerely,

Margaret Byrne
Senior Environmental Health Officer