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Application		
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Dear Sir Madam.

The waste flowing from the Dairy Gold cheese plant goes upstream, into the Great Island Channel, which is a protected area under the EU Habitats and Birds Directives. Any development affecting these areas has to be proven "beyond reasonable doubt" not to have an adverse effect. I don't see how this could have been proven as I don't believe it is possible to put waste into a pristine habitat at the volumes being discussed without mass destruction of habitat. Even silt has been shown to damage spawning gravel beds for fish.

Cork harbour is not perfect but how is this waste going to affect the sea life that lives there? Will the waste float or sit on the bottom. Will it anaerobically digest and ferment in the water. Will it de oxygenate the water. What about the wider impact on aquatic life outside the harbour.

There is no doubt that waste being poured into a river should have an adverse effect, therefore Dairygold should have looked into alternative ways to get rid of the waste, and the project shouldn't have been even considered until they had shown research of alternative disposal options.

Please do not give permission on dumping waste into the environment.

Your sincerely

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