



### Submission

Submitter:	Miss Gemma Kiernan
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### Application

Applicant:	Dairygold Co-Operative Society Ltd and TINE Ireland Ltd
Reg. No.:	P1103-01

See below for Submission details.

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To Whom It May Concern,

I strongly object to Dairygold/Tine obtaining a waste water discharge licence to dump their effluent into Cork Harbour.

**This is a protected area under the EU Habitats and Birds Directives.** The area is located between two protected sites for migratory birds and is home to several wildlife such as seals and sea bass; a species that is currently protected under EU law. I am unsure why, if an area is “protected” by the EU, any proposal to release waste into that area is considered. It is inconceivable that the proposed action from Dairygold/Tine will not negatively impact this area.

It also seems utterly implausible that the estuary, with variable tides, could flush out 4 million litres of waste a day as proposed by Daigold/Tine.

It is also utterly ridiculous that no other alternative was considered for the waste. Even McDonalds re-use their cooking oil for fuel. After our government has declared a climate emergency, why is this corporations not pushed to invest in more sustainable waste disposal measures?

In 2017 Dairygold were found non-compliant with the licence conditions relating to odour at their site in Mallow – why do we trust that they will not breach conditions associated with any new licences issued?

I sincerely implore the EPA to protect this area of natural beauty and wildlife. Please **do not** grant permission to Dairygold dump their waste into Cork Harbour. We must hold these businesses accountable and we must stop putting profit and industry before our country's environmental interests.

Kind Regards,

Gemma Kiernan