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Application

Applicant:	Mullan Poultry Products Ltd.
Reg. No.:	P1157-01

See below for Submission details.

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23rd September, 2021

**Re: IPPC Licence Application – Mullan Poultry Ltd.,
Location of Facility: Drumturk, Emyvale, Co. Monaghan
Reg. No.: P1157-01**

Dear Sir/Madam,

We refer to your notification to IFI regarding the above mentioned application in relation to a poultry facility at Drumturk, Emyvale, Co. Monaghan.

Inland Fisheries Ireland (IFI) is a Statutory Body established on the 1st July 2010. Under section 7(1) of the Inland Fisheries Act 2010 (No. 10 of 2010) *the principal function of IFI is the protection, management and conservation of the inland fisheries resource.*

We note in the application documents:

- soiled water is to be landspread on lands close to the outflow from Emy Lough and the Ulster Blackwater River.
- poultry litter is to be collected by a contractor with the final destination being unclear in the documents.

The facility is located close to the outflow from Emy Lough, which then flows into the Ulster Blackwater River a short distance downstream. Emy Lough outflow contains valuable fisheries habitat and support stocks of trout and lamprey among other species. The Ulster Blackwater River supports stocks of salmon, trout, pike and coarse fish and is a valuable angling resource.

Note: Salmon and Lamprey species are Annex II listed species in the Habitats Directive.

The Ecological status of the waterbody adjacent to the site (Emy Lough outflow) is currently Unassigned. It is important to ensure the proposed development does not have a negative impact on these aquatic habitats.

IFI has no objection to this application, from a fisheries perspective, provided that:

- The number of poultry housed shall not exceed that in the application.
- All effluent, soiled water and solid wastes shall be stored on site in adequately sized and sited watertight structures.
- Buildings shall comply with Department of Agriculture standards and regulations.
- All effluent and wash water to be disposed of by landspreading shall be carried out in accordance with the Department of Agriculture's booklet Good Farming Practice.
- Only clean, uncontaminated storm water shall be discharged to a soak-away system or to surface water. The receiving waters associated with storm water discharges should be regularly inspected.



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The EPA's Pollution Impact Potential Maps should be referred to in relation to landspreading locations associated with this facility. These maps indicate the risk of phosphorus entering surface waters from land. In high-moderate risk areas phosphate is more likely to flow overland to surface waters than being retained in the soil and subsoil. Therefore, it is vital that any land spreading carried out is strictly controlled and ideally should be carried out in low risk areas in order to protect surface waters.

Please notify us of your full decision in due course.

Yours faithfully

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