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Ref: Applicant Name: Anglo Beef Processors Ireland Unlimited Company

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To Whom It Concerns

I would like to strongly object to the renewal of the licence for the ABP (Waterford Proteins) rendering plant at Christendom, Ferrybank.

For years I have been putting up with the horrendous stench from both the plant and the trucks bringing the raw material for processing. I don't think anyone could really understand just how bad it is unless they lived in the area. Surely, in this day and age, something can be done to stop the stench? I know that there are other similar plants in the States and Frankfurt where although the odours weren't totally eliminated, but were certainly contained. Maybe it's just down to money. As in the plant doesn't want to spend it? If that's the case, it's just not good enough.

In my opinion, Ferrybank is a lovely area with a great community, and it's being spoiled for over twenty years because of this plant. There is no way it should be located in such a populated area so close to schools and housing estates. A few of my friends lived in Christendom which is right beside the plant and ended up moving house in order to get away from the stench.

I worry a lot not just about the smell, but I can't imagine that the emissions from that plant could be good for the general health of the residents living in the area. I was shocked recently to learn that not only is the issue in Ferrybank, but many people living across the river in Waterford City are also affected.

I believe that the plant also wants to increase their production levels. How can this be allowed? The situation is bad enough as it is, never mind having to put up with a higher output.

I would ask the EPA to seriously look at the plant and take the local residents into consideration.

I heard that the preferred option for Kilkenny County Council is that the food processing business in that area be moved to a more suitable location. They mentioned it in their most recent Local Area Plan which was published in 2017.

How long more are we to put up with this situation?