



Submission

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Application

Applicant:	Anglo Beef Processors Ireland Unlimited Company
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Dear Sir (Madam),

I represent the residents in the Ard Daire estate in Ferrybank, Waterford.

For years now we have been putting up with the rotten odours from the ABP (Waterford Proteins) rendering plant in Ferrybank. Many public meetings have been held over the years where residents complained about both the sickly stench from the factory and also the trucks bringing the material there. How they can get away with it in this day and age is beyond me.

There are over sixty homes on our estate and over the years a large percentage of the residents have complained about the plant. Basically, asking if anything can be done to control the stench. Residents complain about having to close their windows, take in washing and feel that they cannot enjoy their gardens when the smell is there.

Very many of the residents have given up voicing their concerns as nothing seems to improve the situation. I remember years ago that a lot of objections went in to prevent the plant getting a licence, but it was approved by the EPA nonetheless. I guess you can't blame people for giving up on it. They feel it's pointless saying anything.

There was a planning application years ago as well. Again, objections were sent in but An Bord Pleanala approved it.

Our estate is technically in County Kilkenny, but is managed by Waterford City & County Council. Waterford Council use to have a community officer in an office on our estate, but a number of years ago that was ended. We often held meetings with that council person in order to see if anything could be done. We have also engaged with various Councillors over the past twenty years to no avail.

We would ask that the EPA take a serious look at the 'on the ground' situation here in Ferrybank before either renewing the licence or allowing the production to increase.

Otherwise we are going to be stuck with the same, if not worse situation for years to come.

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