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To Whom It May Concern

I would like to strongly object to the ABP (Waterford Proteins) rendering plant's licence renewal and also to their proposed production increase of 60%.

Around 10 years ago I was forced to move from my home on the Christendom estate because of the terrible stench from that plant. I remember that at the time I was unable to open the windows in my house whenever the odours were there. They literally smelled like death and you'd feel like vomiting. If the smell was there at breakfast or lunch time, I was unable to eat while in the house, it was that bad. I know that a lot of my neighbours were badly affected too. I can't understand how many of them are still living there?

Whenever I travel down into Ferrybank itself or over the Abbey Road, the stench brings back really bad memories. Of course, the girl's school and the Abbey Community College are close to that area as well. I find it shocking that the plant is allowed to get away with it. Also, the stench from the trucks traveling to the plant is absolutely terrible.

The newly opened Ferrybank Men's Shed is right beside the plant and I know that the members are sick and tired of the stench too. I can't blame them. It's really terrible.

I'm living up the Rockshire Road now and the smell is not as bad, but some days if the wind is blowing in this direction, you can still get it.

I'm also worried about our air quality being affected. A friend of mine is an engineer and he works with companies who use a similar thermal oxidizer. Here's what he said:

"Thermal oxidisers and report excursions these are relatively complex pieces of kit and not the kind of things you install and don't look at again for 20 years!

I can't imagine their maintenance program is too sophisticated given the problem down there all these years with odour etc."

In my opinion, the plant needs to be rigidly monitored by the EPA and the existing problems with the stench from the plant and the trucks needs to be fully controlled before the licence is renewed. There's no way they should be allowed to increase production. I'd really like to know where the extra material is coming from. Ferrybank is going to end up as the dumping ground for the South East if this goes ahead.