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# PROPOSED DECISION

Waste Licence	160-1
<b>Register Number:</b>	
Applicant:	Cork County Council
Location of Facility:	Castletownbere Waste Transfer Station, Foilldarrig, Castletownbere, Co. Cork

## **INTRODUCTION**

# This introduction is not part of the licence and does not purport to be a legal interpretation of the licence.

This licence relates to a Non-Hazardous Waste Transfer Station to be located at Foilldarrig, Castletownbere, Co. Cork. The facility is licensed to accept up to 4000 tonnes per annum of nonhazardous municipal solid waste (household and commercial). End of life vehicles (upto 300 tonnes per annum) may be treated subject to stringent waste acceptance and operational controls.

Waste will be processed within the transfer building prior to disposal to a licensed landfill facility. Receptacles are to be provided at the civic waste facility for the storage of a range of recyclable goods such as glass bottles, paper, cardboard, white goods and textiles. The civic waste facility is also licensed to accept domestic quantities of hazardous waste (e.g. batteries, fluorescent tubes).

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# **DECISION & REASONS FOR THE DECISION**

The Environmental Protection Agency (the Agency) is satisfied, on the basis of the information available, that the waste activity, or activities, licensed hereunder will comply with the requirements of Section 40(4) of the Waste Management Act, 1996.

In reaching this decision the Agency has considered the application and supporting documentation received from the applicant and the report of its inspector.

## Part I Activities Licensed

In pursuance of the powers conferred on it by the Waste Management Act, 1996, the Agency proposes, under Section 40(1) of the said Act to grant this Waste Licence to Cork County Council to carry on the waste activity/activities listed below at Foilldarrig, Castletownbere, Co. Cork subject to conditions, with the reasons therefor and the associated schedules attached thereto set out in the licence.

Licensed Waste Disposal Activities, in accordance with the Third Schedule of the Waste Management Act 1996

Class 12.	Repackaging prior to submission to any activity referred to in a preceding paragraph of this Schedule.	
	This activity is limited to the compaction of waste deposited in the hopper/compactor unit and its transfer to an enclosed container for storage prior to removal off-site to landfill.	
Class 13.	Storage prior to submission to any activity referred to in a preceding paragraph of this Schedule, other than temporary storage, pending collection, on the premises where the waste concerned was produced.	
	This activity is limited to the storage of non-recoverable waste received at this facility, prior to disposal at an alternative facility.	

#### Licensed Waste Recovery Activities, in accordance with the Fourth Schedule of the Waste Management Act 1996

Class 2.	Recycling or reclamation of organic substances which are not used as solvents (including composting and other biological transformation processes):	
	This activity is limited to the recycling/reclamation of timber, cardboard, paper, composting of garden waste and waste oils at the facility.	
Class 3.	Recycling or reclamation of metals and metal compounds:	
	This activity is limited to the acceptance of aluminium cans, white goods, end of life vehicles and other metals at the facility. It may also include treatment of end of life vehicles the facility.	
Class 4.	Recycling or reclamation of other inorganic materials:	
	This activity is limited to the acceptance of glass, textiles and plastic at the facility. It also relates to future shredding of farm plastics and baling of packaging waste.	
Class 13.	Storage of waste intended for submission to any activity referred to in a preceding paragraph of this Schedule, other than temporary storage, pending collection, on the premises where such waste is produced:	
	This activity is limited to the storage of waste types authorised by the licence at the facility prior to recovery at an alternative appropriate facility.	

## **INTERPRETATION**

All terms in this licence should be interpreted in accordance with the definitions in the Waste Management Act, (the Act), unless otherwise defined in this section.

Adequate lighting	20 lux measured at ground level.	
Agreement	Agreement in writing.	
Annually	At approximately twelve monthly intervals.	
Attachment	Any reference to Attachments in this licence refers to attachments submitted as part of the waste licence application.	
Application	The application by the licensee for this waste licence.	
Appropriate facility	A waste management facility, duly authorised under relevant law and technically suitable.	
Condition	A condition of this licence.	
Containment boom	A boom which can contain spillages and prevent them from entering drains or watercourses.	
Daytime	8.00 a.m. to 10.00 p.m.	
Documentation	Any report, record, result, data, drawing, proposal, interpretation or other document in written or electronic form which is required by this licence.	
Drawing	Any reference to a drawing or drawing number means a drawing or drawing number contained in the application, unless otherwise specified in this licence.	
Emergency	Those occurrences defined in Condition 9.4	
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	different hours of waste acceptance.	
Licence	A Waste Licence issued in accordance with the Act.	
Licensee	Cork County Council.	
Liquid Waste	Any waste in liquid form and containing less than 2% dry matter. Any waste tankered to the facility.	
Maintain	Keep in a fit state, including such regular inspection, servicing, calibration and repair as may be necessary to adequately perform its function.	
Monthly	A minimum of 12 times per year, at approximately monthly intervals.	
Municipal waste	As defined in Section 5(1) of the Act.	
Night-time	10.00 p.m. to 8.00 a.m.	
Noise Sensitive Location (NSL)	Any dwelling house, hotel or hostel, health building, educational establishment, place of worship or entertainment, or any other facility or area of high amenity which for its proper enjoyment requires the absence of noise at nuisance levels.	
Oil Separator	Device installed according to the draft European Standard prEN 858 (Installations for the separation of light liquids, e.g. oil and petrol).	
Recyclable Materials	Those waste types, such as cardboard, batteries, gas cylinders, etc, which may be recycled	
Quarterly	At approximately three monthly intervals.	
Sample(s)	Unless the context of this licence indicates to the contrary, samples shall include measurements by electronic instruments.	
Specified Emissions	Those emissions listed Schedule C: Emission Limits of this licence.	
Specified Engineering Works	Those engineering works listed in <i>Schedule B: Specified Engineering Works</i> of this licence.	
Trigger Level	A parameter value specified in the licence, the achievement or exceedance of which requires certain actions to be taken by the licensee.	
Weekly	During all weeks of plant operation, and in the case of emissions, when emissions are taking place; with no more than one measurement in any one week.	
White Goods	Refrigerators, cookers, ovens and other similar appliances.	
EPA Working Day	Refers to the following hours; 9.00 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. Monday to Friday inclusive.	

## PART II CONDITIONS

## CONDITION 1 SCOPE OF THE LICENCE

- 1.1. Waste activities at the facility shall be restricted to those listed and described in Part I: Activities Licensed and authorised by this licence.
- 1.2. For the purposes of this licence, the facility is the area of land outlined in red on Figure B.2.2 of the application. Any reference in this licence to "facility" shall mean the area thus outlined in red.
- 1.3. This licence is for the purposes of waste licensing under the Waste Management Act 1996 only and nothing in this licence shall be construed as negating the licensee's statutory obligations or requirements under any other enactments or regulations.
- 1.4. The total quantity of wastes to be accepted at the facility shall not exceed 4300 tonnes per annum.
- 1.5. Only those waste categories and quantities listed in *Schedule A: Waste Acceptance* of this licence, shall be accepted at the facility subject to the constraints listed in this licence.
- 1.6. No asbestos, sludge, animal wastes or liquid wastes (other than waste oils) shall be accepted at the facility.
- 1.7. Waste Acceptance Hours and Hours of Operation
  - 1.7.1. Waste shall only be accepted at the facility between the hours of 8.00am to 5.00pm Monday to Saturday inclusive.
  - 1.7.2. The facility shall only be operated during the hours of 8.00am to 6.00pm Monday to Saturday inclusive.
  - 1.7.3. Waste shall not be accepted at the facility on Sundays or on Bank Holidays.
- 1.8. The following shall constitute an incident for the purposes of this licence:
  - a) an emergency;
  - b) any emission which does not comply with the requirements of this licence;
  - c) any exceedance of the daily duty capacity of the waste handling equipment;
  - d) any trigger level specified in this licence which is attained or exceeded; and
  - e) any indication that environmental pollution has, or may have, taken place.
- 1.9 Where the Agency considers that a non-compliance with any condition of this licence has occurred, it may serve a notice on the licensee specifying:
  - a) That only those wastes as specified, if any, in the notice are to be accepted at the facility after the date set down in the notice;
  - b) That the licensee shall undertake the works stipulated in the notice, and/or otherwise comply with the requirements of the notice as set down therein, within the time-scale contained in the notice; and
  - c) That the licensee shall carry out any other requirement specified in the notice.

When the notice has been complied with, the licensee shall provide written confirmation that the requirements of the notice have been carried out. No waste, other than that which is stipulated in the notice, shall be accepted at the facility until written permission is received from the Agency.

1.10 Every plan, programme or proposal submitted to the Agency for its agreement pursuant to any Condition of this licence shall include a proposed timescale for its implementation. The Agency may modify or alter any such plan, programme or proposal in so far as it considers such modification or alteration to be necessary and shall notify the licensee in writing of any such modification or alteration. Every such plan, programme or proposal shall be carried out within the timescale fixed by the Agency but shall not be undertaken without the agreement of the Agency. Every such plan, programme or proposal agreed by the Agency shall be covered by the conditions of this licence

**Reason:** To clarify the scope of this licence.

## CONDITION 2 MANAGEMENT OF THE FACILITY

- 2.1 Facility Management
  - 2.1.1 The licensee shall employ a suitably qualified and experienced facility manager who shall be designated as the person in charge. The facility manager or a nominated, suitably qualified and experienced, deputy shall be present on the facility at all times during its operation.
  - 2.1.2 Both the facility manager and deputy, and any replacement manager or deputy, shall successfully complete both the FAS waste management training programme (or equivalent agreed with the Agency) and associated on site assessment appraisal within twelve months of appointment.
  - 2.1.3 The licensee shall ensure that personnel performing specifically assigned tasks shall be qualified on the basis of appropriate education, training and experience, as required and shall be aware of the requirements of this licence.
- 2.2 Management Structure
  - 2.2.1 Prior to the acceptance of waste, the licensee shall submit written details of the management structure of the facility to the Agency. Any proposed replacement in the management structure shall be notified in advance in writing to the Agency. Written details of the management structure shall include the following information
    - a) the names of all persons who are to provide the management and supervision of the waste activities authorised by the licence, in particular the name of the facility manager and any nominated deputies;
    - b) details of the responsibilities for each individual named under a) above; and
    - c) details of the relevant education, training and experience held by each of the persons nominated under a) above.
- 2.3 Environmental Management System (EMS)
  - 2.3.1 The licensee shall establish and maintain an EMS. Within twelve months from the date of commencement of waste activities, the licensee shall submit to the Agency for its agreement a proposal for a documented Environmental Management System (EMS) for the facility. Following the agreement of the Agency, the licensee shall

establish and maintain such a system. The EMS shall be updated on an annual basis with amendments being submitted to the Agency for its agreement.

- 2.3.2 The EMS shall include as a minimum the following elements:
  - 2.3.2.1 Schedule of Environmental Objectives and Targets

The objectives should be specific and the targets measurable. The Schedule shall address a five-year period as a minimum and shall include targets for the diversion of accepted waste to both on-site and offsite recycling activities. The Schedule shall include a time-scale for achieving the objectives and targets and shall comply with any other written guidance issued by the Agency.

2.3.2.2 Environmental Management Plan (EMP)

The EMP shall include, as a minimum, the following:

- (i) methods by which the objectives and targets will be achieved in the coming year and the designation of responsibility for targets;
- (ii) any other items required by written guidance issued by the Agency.
- 2.3.2.3 Corrective Action Procedures

The Corrective Action Procedures shall detail the corrective actions to be taken should any of the procedures detailed in the EMS not be followed.

2.3.2.4 Awareness and Training Programme

The Awareness and Training Programme shall identify training needs, for personnel who work in or have responsibility for the licensed facility.

#### 2.4 Communications Programme

2.4.1 The licensee shall establish and maintain a Communications Programme to ensure that members of the public can obtain information at the facility, at all reasonable times, concerning the environmental performance of the facility. This shall be established within six months of the date of commencing waste activities at the facility.

**REASON:** To make provision for the proper management of the activity on a planned basis having regard to the desirability of ongoing assessment, recording and reporting of matters affecting the environment.

## CONDITION 3 FACILITY INFRASTRUCTURE

- 3.1 The licensee shall establish all infrastructure referred to in this licence prior to the commencement of the licensed activities or as required by the conditions of this licence.
- 3.2 Specified Engineering Works
  - 3.2.1 The licensee shall submit proposals for all Specified Engineering Works, as defined in *Schedule B: Specified Engineering Works* of this licence, to the Agency for its agreement at least two months prior to the intended date of commencement of any such works. No such works shall be carried out without the prior agreement of the Agency.

- 3.2.2 All specified engineering works shall be supervised by a competent person(s) and that person, or persons, shall be present at all times during which relevant works are being undertaken.
- 3.2.3 Following the completion of all specified engineering works, the licensee shall complete a construction quality assurance validation. The validation report shall be made available to the Agency on request. The report shall include the following information;
  - a) a description of the works;
  - b) as-built drawings of the works;
  - c) records and results of all tests carried out (including failures);
  - d) drawings and sections showing the location of all samples and tests carried out;
  - e) daily record sheets/diary;
  - f) name(s) of contractor(s)/individual(s) responsible for undertaking the specified engineering works;
  - g) name(s) of individual(s) responsible for supervision of works and for quality assurance validation of works;
  - h) records of any problems and the remedial works carried out to resolve those problems; and
  - i) any other information requested in writing by the Agency.
- 3.3 Facility Notice Board
  - 3.3.1 The licensee shall provide and maintain a Facility Notice Board on the facility so that it is legible to persons outside the main entrance to the facility. The minimum dimensions of the board shall be 1200 mm by 750 mm.
  - 3.3.2 The board shall clearly show:
    - a) the name and telephone number of the facility;
    - b) the normal hours of opening;
    - c) the name of the licence holder;
    - d) an emergency out of hours contact telephone number;
    - e) the licence reference number; and
    - f) where environmental information relating to the facility can be obtained.
- 3.4 Facility Security
  - 3.4.1 Security and stockproof fencing and gates shall be installed and maintained at the facility. The base of the fencing shall be set in the ground.
  - 3.4.2 The licensee shall remedy any defect in the gates and/or fencing as follows:
    - a) a temporary repair shall be made by the end of the working day; and,
    - b) a repair to the standard of the original gates and/or fencing shall be undertaken within three working days.
- 3.5 Facility Roads and Hardstanding
  - 3.5.1 Effective site roads shall be provided and maintained to ensure the safe movement of vehicles within the facility.
  - 3.5.2 The licensee shall provide, and maintain an impermeable hardstanding surface in the areas of the facility shown on Drawing No. D.1.2 (Revision A) entitled 'Site Plan

Showing Landscape and Hardstanding Areas'. In addition, the floor of the buildings and hardstanding areas at the facility shall be concreted and constructed to British Standard 8110.

- 3.6 Facility Office
  - 3.6.1 The licensee shall provide and maintain an office at the facility. The office shall be constructed and maintained in a manner suitable for the processing and storing of documentation.
  - 3.6.2 The licensee shall provide and maintain a working telephone and a method for electronic transfer of information at the facility.
- 3.7 Waste Transfer Building
  - 3.7.1 Prior to the acceptance of waste at the facility, the licensee shall provide a waste transfer station building. The licensee shall provide and maintain a compactor, container and associated infrastructure at the facility.
- 3.8 Waste Inspection and Quarantine Areas
  - 3.8.1 A Waste Inspection Area and a Waste Quarantine Area shall be provided and maintained at the facility.
  - 3.8.2 These areas shall be constructed and maintained in a manner suitable, and be of a size appropriate, for the inspection of waste and subsequent quarantine if required. The waste inspection area and the waste quarantine area shall be clearly identified and segregated from each other.
  - 3.8.3 Drainage from these areas shall be directed to the on-site wastewater treatment system.
- 3.9 Waste handling, ventilation and processing plant

Items of plant deemed critical to the efficient and adequate processing of waste at the facility (including *inter alia* waste loading vehicles and ejector trailers) shall be provided on the following basis:

- a) 100% duty capacity;
- b) 50% standby capacity available on a routine basis;
- c) Provision of contingency arrangements and/or back up and spares in the case of breakdown of critical equipment.

Prior to the commencement of waste acceptance, the licensee shall provide a report for the agreement of the Agency detailing the duty and standby capacity in tonnes per day, of all waste handling and processing equipment to be used at the facility. These capacities shall be based on the licensed waste intake, as per *Schedule A: Waste Acceptance* of this licence.

The quantity of waste to be accepted at the facility on a daily basis shall not exceed the duty capacity of the equipment at the facility. Any exceedence of this intake shall be treated as an incident.

- 3.10 Foul Water Treatment Plant
  - 3.10.1 Prior to the acceptance of waste at the facility, the licensee shall provide and maintain a foul water treatment system for the treatment of foulwater arising on-site. Any percolation area shall satisfy the criteria set out in the Wastewater Treatment Manual, *Treatment Systems for Single Houses*, published by the Environmental Protection Agency

- 3.10.2 All surface water drainage from areas of the facility used for the handling and storage of waste shall be directed to the foul water treatment system.
- 3.11 Liquid Storage Areas
  - 3.11.1 All areas for the storage of liquids (including waste oil storage) shall be rendered impervious to the materials stored therein.
  - 3.11.2 All liquid storage areas shall, as a minimum, be bunded, either locally or remotely, to a volume not less than the greater of the following:
    - (a) 110% of the capacity of the largest tank or drum within the bunded area; or
    - (b) 25% of the total volume of substance which could be stored within the bunded area.
  - 3.11.3 All drainage from bunded areas shall be diverted for collection and safe disposal.
  - 3.11.4 All inlets, outlets, vent pipes, valves and gauges must be within the bunded area.
  - 3.11.5 The integrity and water tightness of all the bunds and their resistance to penetration by water or other materials stored therein shall be confirmed by the licensee and shall be reported to the Agency following its installation and prior to its use as a storage area. This confirmation shall be repeated at least once every three years thereafter and reported to the Agency on each occasion.
- 3.12 Surface water run-off
  - 3.12.1 Uncontaminated surface water shall be directed to the surface water drainage system.
  - 3.12.2 The licensee shall install and maintain silt traps and oil interceptors at the facility to ensure that all surface water discharges from the facility pass through a silt trap and oil interceptor prior to discharge. The interceptors shall be a Class I full retention interceptor and the silt traps and interceptors shall be in accordance with European Standard prEN 858 (installations for the separation of light liquids).
- 3.13 Drainage system, pipeline testing
  - 3.13.1 Prior to the acceptance of waste at the facility, all foul sewer gullies, drainage grids and manhole covers shall be painted with red squares whilst all surface water discharge gullies, drainage grids and manhole covers shall be painted with blue triangles. These colour codes shall be maintained so as to be visible at all times during facility operation, and any identification designated in this licence shall be inscribed on these manholes.
  - 3.13.2 The drainage system, bunds, silt traps and oil separators shall be inspected weekly, desludged as necessary and properly maintained at all times. All sludge and drainage from these operations shall be collected for safe disposal. A written record shall be kept of the inspections, desludging, cleaning, disposal of associated waste products, maintenance and performance of the interceptors, bunds and drains.
  - 3.13.3 The integrity and water tightness of all underground pipes and tanks and their resistance to penetration by water or other materials carried or stored therein shall be tested and demonstrated by the licensee and shall be reported to the Agency following their installation and prior to their use. This testing shall be carried out by the licensee at least once every three years thereafter and reported to the Agency on each occasion. A written record of all integrity tests and any maintenance or remedial work arising from them shall be maintained by the licensee.
- 3.14 Civic Waste Facility

- 3.14.1 The licensee shall establish and maintain the Civic Waste Facility infrastructure within two months of commencement of waste activities at the facility unless otherwise agreed with the Agency.
- 3.14.2 The licensee shall provide and maintain the receptacles at the Civic Waste Facility as shown in Drawing No. D.1.1. (Revision B) entitled 'Site Layout Plan' unless otherwise agreed with the Agency.
- 3.15 End of Life Vehicles
  - 3.15.1 A suitable hardstanding area shall be provided and maintained for the storage of end of life vehicles accepted at the facility.
  - 3.15.2 Drainage from this area shall be directed via an oil-interceptor to the on-site wastewater treatment system.
- 3.16 White goods
  - 3.16.1 A suitable hardstanding area shall be provided and maintained for the storage of white goods at the facility.
- 3.17 Monitoring Infrastructure
  - 3.17.1 Replacement of Infrastructure
    - (i) Monitoring infrastructure which is damaged or proves to be unsuitable for its purpose shall be replaced within three months of it being damaged or recognised as being unsuitable.

**REASON:** To provide appropriate infrastructure for the protection of the environment.

## CONDITION 4 RESTORATION AND AFTERCARE

4.1. The Restoration and Aftercare Plans for the facility shall be agreed with the Agency prior to the decommissioning of the facility.

**REASON:** To provide for the restoration of the facility

## CONDITION 5 FACILITY OPERATIONS

- 5.1 Only Household and Commercial waste shall be accepted at the transfer station from private vehicles, commercial waste collection companies and Cork County Council refuse collection vehicles.
- 5.2 Waste Acceptance and Characterisation Procedures
  - 5.2.1 Waste acceptance procedures shall be carried out in accordance with Attachment E.3 and E.4 of the application.
  - 5.2.2 There shall be no treatment of end of life vehicles at the facility until a detailed waste acceptance and handling procedure has been agreed with the Agency. This procedure shall as a minimum take into account the requirements of Article 6 and Annex 1 of the End-of-Life Vehicles Directive.

- 5.2.3 Any waste deemed unsuitable for processing at the facility and/or in contravention of this licence shall be immediately separated and removed from the facility at the earliest possible time. Temporary storage of such wastes shall be in a designated Waste Quarantine Area. Waste shall be stored under appropriate conditions in the quarantine area to avoid putrefaction, odour generation, the attraction of vermin and any other nuisance or objectionable condition.
- 5.2.4 A record of all inspections of incoming waste loads shall be maintained.
- 5.3 Operational Controls
  - 5.3.1 Gates shall be locked shut when the facility is unsupervised.
  - 5.3.2 The licensee shall provide and use adequate lighting during the operation of the facility in hours of darkness.
  - 5.3.3 Fuels shall only be stored at appropriately bunded locations on the facility.
  - 5.3.4 All tanks and drums shall be labelled to clearly indicate their contents.
  - 5.3.5 No smoking shall be allowed on the facility (other than in the site office).
  - 5.3.6 Waste for disposal shall be compacted prior to site closure each day.
  - 5.3.7 All compacted waste or waste with the potential to cause odour nuisance shall be stored in sealed containers and be removed from the facility within 48 hours of being compacted at the site, with the exception of Bank Holiday weekends, when a limit of 72 hours shall apply.
  - 5.3.8 Quarantined waste shall be removed from the site immediately and, in any case shall not be stored on site for a period exceeding one month.
  - 5.3.9 At the end of the working day the hopper and compactor shall be cleared of waste.
- 5.4 Off-site Disposal and Recovery
  - 5.4.1 Waste sent off-site for recovery or disposal shall only be conveyed by a waste contractor agreed by the Agency;
  - 5.4.2 All waste transferred from the facility shall only be transferred to an appropriate facility agreed by the Agency;
  - 5.4.3 All wastes removed off-site for recovery or disposal shall be transported from the facility to the consignee in a manner which will not adversely affect the environment.
- 5.5 Civic Waste Facility
  - 5.5.1 The Civic Waste Facility shall only be used by private vehicles and light commercial vans. The facility shall not be used as a transfer station for disposal of waste by commercial waste disposal contractors or local authority waste collection vehicles.
  - 5.5.2 The following wastes are permitted to be accepted at the Civic Waste Facility: glass, aluminium cans, textiles, papers, cardboard, timber, plastic, garden waste, metals, white goods, end of life vehicles, waste oils, batteries, fluorescent tubes and small quantities of other household hazardous waste.
  - 5.5.3 All waste deposited in the Civic Waste Facility shall be either:
    - (a) into a skip;

- (b) into a receptacle for recovery; or
- (c) in the case where inspection is required, into a designated inspection area.
- 5.5.4 The licensee shall assign and clearly label each container at the Civic Waste Facility to indicate their contents.
- 5.6 Foul Water Management
  - 5.6.1 Foul water treatment shall be as described in Attachment D.1(l) of the application and D.1 of Article 14 response dated November 2001, or as otherwise agreed with the Agency.
- 5.7 Maintenance
  - 5.7.1 All treatment/abatement and emission control equipment shall be calibrated and maintained, in accordance with the instructions issued by the manufacturer/supplier or installer. Written records of the calibrations and maintenance shall be made and kept by the licensee.
  - 5.7.2 The licensee shall maintain and clearly label and name all sampling and monitoring locations.
  - 5.7.3 The licensee shall maintain the compactor/hopper in accordance with the manufacturers instructions.
- 5.8 Landscaping
  - 5.8.1 Landscaping of the facility as described in H.1 of Article 14 response dated November 2001 and shown on Drawing No. D.1.2 (Revision A) entitled 'Site Plan Showing Landscape and Hardstanding Areas' shall be carried out within eighteen months of the date of acceptance of waste at the facility.
- 5.9 Waste Processing Procedures
  - 5.9.1. The licensee shall submit a written detailed proposal on any proposed changes to the waste processing procedures. The proposal shall be submitted to the Agency for its agreement at least two months prior to any such processes or associated works being carried out.

**REASON**: To provide for appropriate operation of the facility to ensure protection of the environment.

## CONDITION 6 EMISSIONS

- 6.1. No specified emission from the facility shall exceed the emission limit values set out in *Schedule C: Emission Limits* of this licence. There shall be no other emissions of environmental significance.
- 6.2. The licensee shall ensure that the activities shall be carried out in a manner such that emissions do not result in significant impairment of, or significant interference with the environment beyond the facility boundary.
- 6.3. Emissions to Surface Water
  - 6.3.1. The trigger levels for surface water discharges from the facility measured at the monitoring point specified in Table D.1.1 are:

- (a) BOD 25mg/l
- (b) Suspended Solids 35mg/l
- 6.3.2. No substance shall be discharged in a manner, or at a concentration which, following initial dilution causes tainting of fish or shellfish.
- 6.4. There shall be no direct emissions to groundwater.
- 6.5. There shall be no clearly audible tonal component or impulsive component in the noise emissions from the activity at the noise sensitive locations.
- 6.6. Disposal of Foul Water
  - 6.6.1. No foul water shall be discharged to surface water.

**REASON:** To control emissions from the facility and provide for the protection of the environment.

## CONDITION 7 NUISANCE CONTROL

- 7.1 The licensee shall ensure that vermin, birds, flies, mud, dust, litter and odours do not give rise to nuisance at the facility or in the immediate area of the facility. Any method used by the licensee to control any such nuisance shall not cause environmental pollution.
- 7.2 The road network in the vicinity of the facility shall be kept free from any debris caused by vehicles entering or leaving the facility. Any such debris or deposited materials shall be removed without delay.
- 7.3 Litter Control
  - 7.3.1 All loose litter or other waste, placed on or in the vicinity of the facility, other than in accordance with the requirements of this licences, shall be removed, subject to the agreement of the landowners, immediately and in any event by 10.00am of the next working day after such waste is discovered.
  - 7.3.2 The licensee shall ensure that all vehicles delivering waste to and removing waste and materials from the facility are appropriately covered.
- 7.4 Dust Control

In dry weather, site roads and any other areas used by vehicles shall be sprayed with water as and when required to minimise airborne dust nuisance.

**REASON:** To provide for the control of nuisances

## CONDITION 8 MONITORING

8.1. The licensee shall carry out such monitoring and at such locations and frequencies as set out in *Schedule D: Monitoring* of this licence and as specified in this licence. Unless otherwise specified by this licence, all environmental monitoring shall commence no later than two months after the commencement of waste activities at the facility.

- 8.2. The licensee shall amend the frequency, locations, methods and scope of monitoring as required by this licence only upon the written instruction of the Agency and shall provide such information concerning such amendments as may be requested in writing by the Agency. Such alterations shall be carried out within any timescale nominated by the Agency.
- 8.3. Monitoring and analysis equipment shall be operated and maintained in accordance with the manufacturers' instructions (if any) so that all monitoring results accurately reflect any emission, discharge or environmental parameter.
- 8.4. The licensee shall provide safe and permanent access to all on-site sampling and monitoring points and to off-site points as required by the Agency.
- 8.5. Archaeological Assessment
  - 8.5.1. Prior to the development of the facility, the advice of Dúchas the Heritage Service shall be sought. On completion of such development a report of the results of any archaeological monitoring shall be submitted to Dúchas and to the Agency.
- 8.6. Nuisance Monitoring
  - 8.6.1. The licensee shall, at a minimum of one week intervals, inspect the facility and its immediate surrounds for nuisances caused by litter, vermin, birds, flies, mud, dust and odours.

**REASON:** To ensure compliance with the conditions of this licence by provision of a satisfactory system of monitoring of emissions

## CONDITION 9 CONTINGENCY ARRANGEMENTS

- 9.1. In the event of an incident the licensee shall immediately:
  - a) identify the date, time and place of the incident;
  - b) carry out an immediate investigation to identify the nature, source and cause of the incident and any emission arising therefrom;
  - c) isolate the source of any such emission;
  - d) evaluate the environmental pollution, if any, caused by the incident;
  - e) identify and execute measures to minimise the emissions/malfunction and the effects thereof;
  - f) provide a proposal to the Agency for its agreement within one month of the incident occurring to:
    - i) identify and put in place measures to avoid reoccurrence of the incident; and
    - ii) identify and put in place any other appropriate remedial action.
- 9.2. The licensee shall, within 3 months of the date of grant of this licence, submit a written Emergency Response Procedure (ERP) to the Agency for its agreement. The ERP shall address any emergency situations which may originate on the facility and shall include provision for minimising the effects of any emergency on the environment. This shall include a risk assessment to determine the requirements at the facility for fire fighting and fire water retention facilities. The Fire Authority shall be consulted by the licensee during this assessment.

- 9.3. The licensee shall have in storage an adequate supply of containment booms and/or suitable absorbent material to contain and absorb any spillage at the facility. Once used the absorbent material shall be disposed of at an appropriate facility.
- 9.4. Emergencies
  - 9.4.1. In the event of a complete breakdown of equipment or any other occurrence which results in the closure of the transfer station building, any waste arriving at or already collected at the facility shall be transferred directly to appropriate landfill sites or any other appropriate facility until such time as the transfer station building is returned to a fully operational status. Such a breakdown event will be treated as an emergency and rectified as soon as possible.
  - 9.4.2. All significant spillages occurring at the facility shall be treated as an emergency and immediately cleaned up and dealt with so as to alleviate their effects.
  - 9.4.3. No waste shall be burnt within the boundaries of the facility. A fire at the facility shall be treated as an emergency and immediate action shall be taken to extinguish it and notify the appropriate authorities.

**REASON**: To ensure compliance with the conditions of this licence by provision of a satisfactory system of monitoring of emissions

## **CONDITION 10 RECORDS**

- 10.1 The licensee shall keep the following documents at the facility office.
  - a) the current waste licence relating to the facility;
  - b) the current EMS for the facility;
  - c) the previous year's AER for the facility;
  - d) all written procedures produced by the licensee which relate to the licensed activities.
- 10.2 The licensee shall maintain a written record for each load of waste arriving at and departing from the transfer station. The licensee shall record the following:
  - a) the date;
  - b) the name of the carrier (including if appropriate, the waste carrier registration details);
  - c) the vehicle registration number;
  - d) the name of the producer(s)/collector(s) of the waste as appropriate;
  - e) the name of the waste facility (if appropriate) from which the load originated including the waste licence or waste permit register number;
  - f) a description of the waste including the associated EWC codes;
  - g) the quantity of the waste, recorded in tonnes;
  - h) the name of the person checking the load; and,
  - i) where loads or wastes are removed or rejected, details of the date of occurrence, the types of waste and the facility to which they were removed.
- 10.3 Written Records

The following written records shall be maintained by the licensee:

- a) the types and quantities of waste recovered at the facility each year. These records shall include the relevant EWC Codes;
- b) all training undertaken by facility staff;
- c) results from all integrity tests of bunds and other structures and any maintenance or remedial work arising from them;
- d) details of all nuisance inspections; and
- e) The names and qualifications of all persons who carry out all sampling and monitoring as required by this licence and who carry out the interpretation of the results of such sampling and monitoring.
- 10.4 The licensee shall maintain a written record of all complaints relating to the operation of the activity. Each such record shall give details of the following:
  - a) date and time of the complaint;
  - b) the name of the complainant;
  - c) details of the nature of the complaint;
  - d) actions taken on foot of the complaint and the results of such actions; and,
  - e) the response made to each complainant.
- 10.5 A written record shall be kept for each load of waste departing from the Civic Waste Facility. The following shall be recorded:
  - a) the name of the carrier;
  - b) the vehicle registration number;
  - c) the destination of the waste (facility name and waste licence/permit number as appropriate);
  - d) a description of the waste (if recovered or rejected waste, the specific nature of the waste);
  - e) the quantity of waste, recorded in tonnes;
  - f) the name of the person checking the load; and,
  - g) the time and date of departure.

**REASON:** To provide for the keeping of proper records of the operation of the facility

## CONDITION 11 REPORTS AND NOTIFICATIONS

- 11.1 Unless otherwise agreed by the Agency, all reports and notifications submitted to the Agency shall:
  - a) be sent to the Agency's headquarters;
  - b) comprise one original and three copies unless additional copies are required;
  - c) be formatted in accordance with any written instruction or guidance issued by the Agency;
  - d) include whatever information as is specified in writing by the Agency;
  - e) be identified by a unique code, indicate any modification or amendment, and be correctly dated to reflect any such modification or amendment;

- f) be submitted in accordance to the relevant reporting frequencies specified by this licence, such as in *Schedule E: Recording and Reporting to the Agency* of this licence;
- g) be accompanied by a written interpretation setting out their significance in the case of all monitoring data; and
- h) be transferred electronically to the Agency's computer system if required by the Agency.
- 11.2 In the event of an incident occurring on the facility, the licensee shall:
  - a) notify the Agency as soon as practicable and in any case not later than 10.00 am the following working day after the occurrence of any incident;
  - b) submit a written record of the incident, including all aspects described in Condition 9.1(ae), to the Agency as soon as practicable and in any case within five working days after the occurrence of any incident; and
  - c) in the event of any incident which relates to discharges to surface/sewer water, notify South Western Regional Fisheries Board as soon as practicable and in any case not later than 10:00am on the following working day after such an incident.
  - d) Should any further actions be taken as a result of an incident occurring, the licensee shall forward a written report of those actions to the Agency as soon as practicable and no later than ten days after the initiation of those actions.
- 11.3 Waste Recovery Reports
  - 11.3.1 The Annual Environmental Report shall include an examination of waste recovery options as specified in *Schedule F: Content of Annual Environmental Report* of this licence.
- 11.4 Monitoring Locations
  - 11.4.1. Prior to the commencement of waste acceptance at the facility, the licensee shall submit to the Agency an appropriately scaled drawing(s) showing all the monitoring locations that are stipulated in this licence. The drawing(s) shall include the reference code of each monitoring point.
- 11.5 Annual Environmental Report
  - 11.5.1 The licensee shall submit to the Agency for its agreement, within thirteen months from the date of grant of this licence, and one month after the end of each calendar year thereafter, an Annual Environmental Report (AER).
  - 11.5.2 The AER shall include as a minimum the information specified in *Schedule F: Content* of *Annual Environmental Report* of this licence and shall be prepared in accordance with any relevant written guidance issued by the Agency.

**REASON:** To provide for proper reporting and notification of the Agency.

## CONDITION 12 CHARGES AND FINANCIAL PROVISIONS

- 12.1 Agency Charges
  - 12.1.1 The licensee shall pay to the Agency an annual contribution of €6,559.00 or such sum as the Agency from time to time determines, towards the cost of monitoring the activity or otherwise in performing any functions in relation to the activity, as the Agency considers necessary for the performance of its functions under the Waste Management Act, 1996.

The licensee shall in 2003 and subsequent years, not later than January 31 of each year, pay to the Agency this amount updated in accordance with changes in the Public Sector Average Earnings Index from the date of the licence to the renewal date. The updated amount shall be notified to the licensee by the Agency. For 2002, the licensee shall pay a pro rata amount from the date of this licence to  $31^{st}$  December. This amount shall be paid to the Agency within one month of the date of grant of this licence.

- 12.1.2 In the event that the frequency or extent of monitoring or other functions carried out by the Agency needs to be increased the licensee shall contribute such sums as determined by the Agency to defraying its costs.
- 12.2 Financial Provision for Closure, Restoration and Aftercare
  - 12.2.1 The licensee shall from a date to be set by the Agency establish and maintain a fund, or provide a written guarantee, that is adequate to assure the Agency that the licensee is at all times financially capable of implementing the Restoration and Aftercare Plan required by Condition 4. The type of fund established and means of its release/recovery shall be agreed by the Agency prior to its establishment.
  - 12.2.2 Any fund established shall be maintained in an amount always sufficient to underwrite the current Restoration and Aftercare Plan.
  - 12.2.3 The licensee shall revise the cost of restoration and aftercare annually and any details of the necessary adjustments to the fund or guarantee must, within two weeks of the revision, be forwarded to the Agency for its agreement. Any adjustment agreed by the Agency shall be effected within four weeks of said written agreement.
  - 12.2.4 Unless otherwise agreed any revision to the fund shall be computed using the following formula:

 $Cost = (ECOST \times WPI) + CiCC$ 

Where:

Cost	= Revised restoration and aftercare cost
ECOST	= Existing restoration and aftercare cost
WPI	Appropriate Wholesale Price Index [Capital Goods, Building & Construction (i.e. Materials & Wages) Index], as published by the Central Statistics Office, for the year since last closure calculation/revision.
CiCC	= Change in compliance costs as a result of change in site

CiCC = Change in compliance costs as a result of change in site conditions, changes in law, regulations, regulatory authority charges, or other significant changes.

**REASON:** To provide for adequate financing for monitoring and financial provisions for measures to protect the environment.

# SCHEDULE A : Waste Acceptance

## A.1 Waste Acceptance

## Table A.1 Waste Categories and Quantities

WASTE TYPE	MAXIMUM (TONNES PER ANNUM)
Household	2,500 <sup>(Note 1)</sup>
Commercial	1,500
End-of-Life Vehicles	300
TOTAL	4,300

Note 1: This figure includes three tonnes per annum of hazardous waste accepted at this civic waste facility.

# **SCHEDULE B : Specified Engineering Works**

#### Specified Engineering Works

Development of the facility

Installation of infrastructure relating to any new waste processing operation

Any other works notified in writing by the Agency.

## **SCHEDULE C : Emission Limits**

C.1 Noise Emissions: (Resulting from activities at the facility and measured at the Noise sensitive locations indicated in Table D.1.1).

Day dB(A) L <sub>Aeq</sub> (30 minutes)	Night dB(A) L <sub>Aeq</sub> (30 minutes)
55	45

C.2 Dust Deposition Limits: (Measured at the monitoring points indicated in Table D.1.1).

Level (mg/m <sup>2</sup> /day) <sup>Note 1</sup>	
350	
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Note 1: 30 day composite sample with the results expressed as  $mg/m^2/day$ .

C.3 Surface Water Discharge Limits: Measured at the final discharge point from the facility ST1.

Parameter	Emission Limit Value
Mineral oils	5mg/l

C.3 *Emissions to Percolation Area*: Measured at the monitoring point FW1 indicated in Table D.1.1.

Parameter	Emission Limit Value
Biological Oxygen Demand	25mg/l
Suspended Solids	35mg/l
pH	6-9
Oils, Fats, Grease	10mg/l
Ammonical Nitrogen	10mg/l
Mineral oils	5mg/l

## **SCHEDULE D : Monitoring**

Monitoring to be carried out as specified below.

## **D.1** Monitoring Locations

Monitoring locations shall be those as set out in Table D.1.1 above and shown in Figure J.1.1 of the application and Drawing D.1.1 Rev B of Article 14 Response dated November 2001.

 Table D.1.1
 Noise, dust, surface water and foul water Monitoring Locations

NOISE	DUST	SURFACE WATER	FOUL WATER
STATIONS	STATIONS	STATIONS	STATIONS
NS1	D2	ST1 <sup>Note2</sup>	FW1 <sup>Note5</sup>
NS2 <sup>Note1</sup>	D4	ST2 <sup>Note3</sup>	
		ST3 <sup>Note4</sup>	

Note 1: To be located at Cork County Council offices adjacent to the facility

Note 2: To be located at the final discharge point from the facility

Note 3: To be located at a point on the Aghakista River upstream of the surface water discharge from the facility

Note 4: To be located at a point on the Aghakista River downtream of the surface water discharge from the facility

Note 5: To be located at the Treated Effluent Monitoring Chamber

#### D.2 Dust

Table D.2.1Dust Monitoring Frequency and Technique

Parameter (mg/m²/day)	Monitoring Frequency	Analysis Method/Technique
Dust	Annually	Standard Method Note 1

Note 1: Standard method VDI2119 (Measurement of Dustfall, Determination of Dustfall using Bergerhoff Instrument (Standard Method) German Engineering Institute). A modification (not included in the standard) which 2 methoxy ethanol may be employed to eliminate interference due to algae growth in the gauge.

## D.3 Noise

## Table D.3.1Noise Monitoring Frequency and Technique

Parameter	Monitoring Frequency	Analysis Method/Technique
L(A) <sub>EQ</sub> [30 minutes]	Annual	Standard Note 1
L(A) <sub>10</sub> [30 minutes]	Annual	Standard Note 1
L(A) <sub>90</sub> [30 minutes]	Annual	Standard Note 1
Frequency Analysis(1/3 Octave band analysis)	Annual	Standard Note 1

Note 1: "International Standards Organisation. ISO 1996. Acoustics - description and Measurement of Environmental noise. Parts 1, 2 and 3."

## **D.4 Surface Water Emissions**

#### Table D.4.1 Surface water Monitoring Frequency and Techniques

Parameter	Monitoring Frequency	Analysis Method/Technique
рН	Quarterly	Electrometry
<b>Biological Oxygen Demand</b>	Quarterly	Standard Methods <sup>Note 1</sup>
Suspended Solids	Quarterly	Standard Methods <sup>Note 1</sup>
Mineral Oils	Quarterly	Standard Methods <sup>Note 1</sup>
Fats, Oils, Grease	Quarterly	Standard Methods <sup>Note 1</sup>

Note 1: "Standards Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater", (prepared and published jointly by A.P.H.A., A.W.W.A & W.E.F) 20th Ed., American Public Health Association, 1015 Fifteenth Street, Washington DC 20005, USA.

## **D.5** Foul Water Emissions

#### Table D.5.1 Foul water Monitoring Frequency and Techniques

Parameter	Monitoring Frequency	Analysis Method/Technique
pH	Biannual	Electrometry
<b>Biological Oxygen Demand</b>	Biannual	Standard Methods <sup>Note 1</sup>
Suspended Solids	Biannual	Standard Methods <sup>Note 1</sup>
Fats, Oils, Grease	Biannual	Standard Methods <sup>Note 1</sup>
Ammoniacal nitrogen	Biannual	Standard Methods <sup>Note 1</sup>
Mineral Oils	Biannual	Standard Methods <sup>Note 1</sup>

Note 1: "Standards Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater", (prepared and published jointly by A.P.H.A., A.W.W.A & W.E.F) 20th Ed., American Public Health Association, 1015 Fifteenth Street, Washington DC 20005, USA.

# SCHEDULE E : Recording and Reporting to the Agency

Report	<b>Reporting</b> Frequency <sup>Note1</sup>	Report Submission Date
Environmental Management System Updates	Annually	One month after the end of the year reported on.
Annual Environment Report (AER)	Annually	Thirteen months from the date of grant of licence and one month after the end of each calendar year thereafter.
Record of incidents	As they occur	Within five days of the incident.
Bund, tank and container integrity assessment	Every three years	Six months from the date of grant of licence and one month after end of the three year period being reported on.
Specified Engineering Works reports	As they arise	Prior to the works commencing.
Monitoring of Surface Water Quality	Quarterly	Ten days after end of the quarter being reported on.
Monitoring of Foul Water	Biannually	Ten days after end of the quarter being reported on.
Dust Monitoring	Annually	One month after end of the year being reported on
Noise Monitoring	Annually	One month after end of the year being reported on.
Any other monitoring	As they occur	Within ten days of obtaining results.

Note 1: Unless altered at the request of the Agency

# SCHEDULE F : Content of the Annual Environmental Report

#### **Annual Environmental Report Content**

#### Reporting Period.

Waste activities carried out at the facility.

Quantity and Composition of waste recovered, received and disposed of during the reporting period and each previous year (relevant EWC codes to be used)

Summary report on emissions

Summary of results and interpretations of environmental monitoring, including a location plan of all monitoring locations.

Resource and energy consumption summary.

Development / Infrastructural works in place and planned, to process waste quantities projected for the following year (including plant operating capacity, provision of adequate standby capacity and provision of contingency, backup and spares in the case of breakdown)

Schedule of Environmental Objectives and Targets for the forthcoming year.

Report on the progress towards achievement of the Environmental Objectives and Targets contained in previous year's report.

Full title and a written summary of any procedures developed by the licensee in the year which relates to the facility operation.

Tank, drum, pipeline and bund testing and inspection report.

Reported Incidents and Complaints summaries.

Review of Nuisance Controls.

Reports on financial provision made under this licence, management and staffing structure of the facility, and a programme for public information

Volume of foul water produced

Any other items specified by the Agency.

Note 1 Content to be revised subject to the agreement of the Agency after cessation of waste acceptance at the facility.

## Signed on behalf of the said Agency

on the 19th day of February 2002

Breda Sheehan / Authorised Person