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# WASTE LICENCE LANDFILL FOR NON-HAZARDOUS WASTE

# PROPOSED DECISION OF A REVIEW OF A LICENCE

Waste Licence 74-2

**Register Number:** 

**Licensee:** South Tipperary Council

Location of Facility: Donohill Landfill, Garryshane, Donohill,

County Tipperary

#### INTRODUCTION

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

This waste licence relates to an existing local authority (South Tipperary County Council) owned and operated, landfill accepting municipal, commercial and non-hazardous industrial wastes at Garryshane, Donohill, County Tipperary.

A review of the licence is sought to extend the lifetime of the landfill and to accept a further 90,000T at the same annual tonnage, in the following way:

- revision of the facility boundary to include new lands to the north, and formalise aspects of the currently active cell, Area 2 in the south-west;
- install two further engineered lined cells on the northside (Areas 3 & 4) with a leachate collection structure;
- extension of opening hours;
- revision of waste types;
- revision of final capping heights to a central dome of 115mOD height (licence 74-1 specifies a final height of 112mOD);

The licensee is required to install a number of items of infrastructure at the facility including *inter alia* a leachate management and collection system and a landfill gas collection and flaring system.

The licensee must manage and operate the facility to ensure that the activities do not cause environmental pollution. The licensee is required to carry out regular environmental monitoring and submit all monitoring results and a wide range of reports on the operation and management of the facility to the Agency.

The licence does not authorise the extension of the landfill into any additional unlined areas.

The licence sets out in detail the conditions under which South Tipperary County Council will operate and manage this facility.

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#### **DECISION & REASONS FOR THE DECISION**

### Reasons for the Decision

On the basis of the information before it, the Environmental Protection Agency (the Agency) is satisfied, for the reasons set out in the following Schedule of Activities Licensed, that the requirements of Section 40(4) of the Waste Management Acts, 1996 to 2003 have been complied with in respect of the application for a waste license for the activities listed hereunder in Part I.

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

#### INTERPRETATION

All terms in this licence should be interpreted in accordance with the definitions in the Waste Management Acts, 1996 to 2003, (the Acts), unless otherwise defined in this section.

**Aerosol** A suspension of solid or liquid particles in a gaseous medium.

**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.

**BAT** Best Available Techniques as defined in Article 2(11) of Council Directive

96/61/EC concerning integrated pollution prevention and control.

Biodegradable

waste

Any waste that is capable of undergoing anaerobic or aerobic decomposition,

such as food, garden waste, sewage sludge, paper and paperboard.

CEN Comité Européen De Normalisation – European Committee for

Standardisation.

**Condition** A condition of this licence.

Construction and Demolition Waste

All wastes which arise from construction, renovation and demolition

activities.

**Containment boom** A boom which can contain spillages and prevent them from entering drains

or watercourses.

Cover material

Bricks, crushed concrete, tarmac, earth, soil, sub-soil, stone, rock or other

similar natural materials; or other cover material the use of which has been

agreed by the Agency.

**Daily Cover** Is the term used to describe material spread (about 150mm if soil cover is

used) over deposited waste at the end of each day. Synthetic materials may also be used. Its objective is to minimise odour, the amount of litter generated and to control flies and access to the waste by birds and vermin.

Where soils are used for daily cover, it is recommended that they be removed at the start of the day and subsequently reused as much as possible.

Daytime

0800 hrs to 2200 hrs.

**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.

**Emission Limits** 

Those limits, including concentration limits and deposition levels established in *Schedule C: Emission Limits*, of this licence.

**European Waste** Catalogue (EWC)

A harmonised, non-exhaustive list of wastes drawn up by the European Commission and published as Commission Decision 94/3/EC and any subsequent amendment published in the Official Journal of the European Community.

Green waste

Waste wood (excluding timber), plant matter such as grass cuttings, and other vegetation.

**Hours of Operation** 

The hours during which the facility is authorised to be operational. The hours of operation of a facility are usually longer than the hours of waste acceptance to facilitate preparatory and completion works, such as the removal and laying of daily cover. Different activities within the facility, such as the landfill and the civic waste facility, may have different hours of waste acceptance.

Hours of Waste Acceptance

The hours during which the facility is authorised to accept waste. Different activities within the facility, such as the landfill and the civic waste facility, may have different hours of waste acceptance.

**Incident** 

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;
- any exceedance of the daily duty capacity of the waste handling equipment;
- 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.

**Inert waste** 

Waste that does not undergo any significant physical, chemical or biological transformations. Inert waste will not dissolve, burn or otherwise physically or chemically react, biodegrade or adversely affect other matter with which it comes into contact in a way likely to give rise to environmental pollution or harm human health. The total leachability and pollutant content of the waste and the ecotoxicity of the leachate must be insignificant, and in particular not endanger the quality of surface water and/or groundwater.

**Intermediate Cover** 

Refers to placement of material (minimum 300mm if soil is used) for a period of time prior to restoration or prior to further disposal of waste.

**Landfill** Refers to the area of the facility where the waste is disposed of by placement

on the ground or on other waste.

**Landfill Gas** Gases generated from the landfilled waste.

LEL (Lower Explosive Limit) The lowest percentage concentration by volume of a mixture of flammable gas with air which will propagate a flame at 25°C and atmospheric pressure.

**Licence** A waste licence issued in accordance with the Acts.

**Licensee** South Tipperary County Council.

**List I/II Organics** Substances classified pursuant to EC Directives 76/464/EEC and 80/68/EEC.

**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 and repair as

may be necessary to adequately perform its function.

Mobile Plant Self-propelled machinery used for the emplacement of wastes or for the

construction of specified engineering works.

**Monthly** A minimum of 12 times per year, at approximately monthly intervals.

Night-time 2200 hrs to 0800 hrs.

Noise Sensitive Location 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.

Non-hazardous Asbestos Waste

Includes bonded asbestos, such as tiles, which are not classified as hazardous

waste and which are authorised for disposal at the facility.

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.

**SCADA system** Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition system.

**Sludge** The accumulation of solids resulting from chemical coagulation, flocculation

and/or sedimentation after water or wastewater treatment with between 2%

and 14% dry matter.

**SOP** Standard Operating Procedure.

**Specified Emissions** Those emissions listed in *Schedule C: Emission Limits*, of this licence.

Specified

Those engineering works listed in Schedule B: Specified Engineering Works,

Engineering Works of this licence.

**TOC** Total Organic Carbon.

Treated Sludge Which has undergone biological, chemical or heat treatment, long-

term storage or any other appropriate process so as significantly to reduce its

fermentability and the health hazards resulting from its use.

Treatment Treatment means the physical, thermal, chemical or biological processes,

including sorting, that change the characteristics of the waste in order to reduce its volume or hazardous nature, facilitate its handling or enhance

recovery.

Trigger Level A parameter value specified in the licence, the achievement or exceedance of

which requires certain actions to be taken by the licensee.

White Goods Refrigerators, cookers, ovens and other similar appliances.

EPA Working Day Refers to the following hours: 0900 hrs to 1730 hrs Monday to Friday

inclusive.

Working Face The area of the site in which waste other than cover material or material for

the purposes of the construction of specified engineering works is being

deposited.

# Part I: Schedule of Activities Licensed

On the basis of the information before it, the Agency, pursuant to its powers under Section 46(2) of the Waste Management Acts, 1996 to 2003, proposes, to grant this Waste Licence to South Tipperary County Council to carry on the waste activities, that are the subject of Waste Licence Application Register Number 74-2, listed below at Donohill Landfill, Garryshane, Donohill, Co. Tipperary 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 to 2003

Class 1	Deposit on, in or under land (including landfill):
	This activity is limited to the disposal of the waste types specified in this licence into the existing landfill and proposed landfill extension.
Class 4	Surface impoundment, including placement of liquid or sludge discards into pits, ponds or lagoons:
	This activity is limited to the storage of leachate in a lagoon (or tank) prior to disposal off-site at a suitable waste water treatment plant.
Class 5	Specially engineered landfill, including placement into lined discrete cells which are capped and isolated from one another and the environment.
	This activity is limited to the disposal of the waste types specified in this licence.
Class 7	Physico-chemical treatment not referred to elsewhere in this Schedule (including evaporation, drying and calcination) which results in final compounds or mixtures which are disposed of by means of any activity referred to in paragraphs 1 to 10 of this Schedule:
	This activity is limited to leachate treatment activities at the facility.

Licensed Waste Recovery Activities, in accordance with the Fourth Schedule of the Waste Management Acts, 1996 to 2003

Class 3.	Recycling or reclamation of metals and metal compounds:
	This activity is limited to the collection of metals in specified containers and areas for recycling off-site.
Class 4.	Recycling or reclamation of other inorganic materials:
	This activity is limited to the reclamation of materials for recycling and the reuse of inert waste for landfill restoration and construction works.
Class 9	Use of any waste principally as a fuel or other means to generate energy:
	This activity is limited to the collection of gas and its conversion to electricity.
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 inert waste on site prior to reuse and the temporary storage of recyclable, reusable, fridges and white goods pending their collection.

#### 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 Drawing No. 2002-024-03-001 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 Acts, 1996 to 2003 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. Municipal Waste, Commercial Waste and Industrial Waste may be recovered and disposed of at the facility subject to the maximum quantities and other constraints listed in Schedule A: Waste Acceptance of this licence. No hazardous wastes or liquid wastes shall be disposed of at the facility.
- 1.5. Waste Acceptance Hours and Hours of Operation

#### 1.5.1. Landfill

- 1.5.1.1. Waste may be accepted at the facility for disposal at the landfill only between the hours of 8.30 a.m. and 7.30 p.m. Monday to Friday inclusive and 9.30 a.m. and 5.00 p.m. on Saturdays.
- 1.5.1.2. The landfill at the facility may be operated only between the hours of 8.00 a.m. and 8.00 p.m. Monday to Friday inclusive and 9.00 a.m. and 6.00 p.m. on Saturdays, unless otherwise agreed by the Agency.
- 1.5.1.3. Recyclable materials may be accepted in designated receptacles in accordance with Condition 5.10 between the hours and on the days specified in Condition 1.5.1.1.
- 1.5.1.4. Waste shall not be accepted at the landfill on Bank Holidays.
- 1.6 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: 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;
  - 1.6.1 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
  - 1.6.2 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.

1.7 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.

1.8 This licence is being granted in substitution for the waste licence granted to the licensee on 5<sup>th</sup> June 2002 and bearing Waste Licence Register No: 74 -1. The previous waste licence (Register No: 74 -1) is superseded by 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 by 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 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 maintain an Environmental Management System (EMS). Within six months from the date of grant of this licence, the licensee shall submit to the Agency for its agreement, a proposal for the updating (where appropriate) of the documented EMS for the facility. 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. 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: -

- a) The items specified to be contained in an Environmental Management Plan in the Landfill Operational Practices Manual published by the Agency;
- b) Methods by which the objectives and targets will be achieved and the identification of those responsible for achieving those objectives and targets; and
- c) 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.

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 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;
    - 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 as described in Attachment D1(a) with the locations of the fencing as shown on Figure A.16.1 – *Plan of Site Perimeter Fence* received in Article 16(1) response on 4<sup>th</sup> April 2001. The base

of the fencing shall be set in the ground. Similar fencing shall be installed to enclose Areas 2, 3, and 4.

- 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

3.5.1 Effective site roads shall be provided and maintained to ensure the safe movement of vehicles within the facility.

#### 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 Inspection and Quarantine Areas
  - 3.7.1 A Waste Inspection Area and a Waste Quarantine Area shall be provided and maintained at the facility.
  - 3.7.2 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.
  - 3.7.3 Drainage from these areas shall be directed to the leachate storage lagoon.

#### 3.8 Weighbridge

3.8.1 The licensee shall provide and maintain a weighbridge at the facility.

#### 3.9 Waste Water Treatment Plant

3.9.1 The licensee shall provide and maintain a Wastewater Treatment plant at the facility for the treatment of wastewater 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 Tank and Drum Storage Areas

- 3.10.1 All tank and drum storage areas shall be rendered impervious to the materials stored therein.
- 3.10.2 All tank and drum 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.
- 3.10.3 All drainage from bunded areas shall be diverted for collection and safe disposal.

- 3.10.4 All inlets, outlets, vent pipes, valves and gauges must be within the bunded area.
- 3.10.5 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 within six months of the date of grant of this licence 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 as part of the AER.

#### 3.11 Landfill Lining

- 3.11.1 Unless otherwise agreed by the Agency, the landfill liner shall comprise:
  - a) A composite liner consisting of a 1m layer of compacted soil with a hydraulic conductivity of less than or equal to 1x10<sup>-9</sup>m/s, (or equivalent to be agreed by the Agency) overlain by a 2mm thick high density polyethylene (HDPE) layer;
  - b) A geotextile protection layer placed over the HDPE layer;
  - c) A 500mm thick drainage layer placed over the geotextile layer with a minimum hydraulic conductivity of 1 x 10<sup>-3</sup> m/s, of pre-washed, uncrushed, granular, rounded stone (16 32mm grain size) incorporating leachate collection drains; and
  - d) The side walls shall be designed and constructed to achieve an equivalent protection.

protection.

- 3.11.2 The liner detailed design and its construction shall be in accordance with the guidelines provided in the Agency's *Landfill Manual, Landfill Site Design*.
- 3.11.3 The liner system at cell/area No. 4 shall meet the requirements set out in the Agency letter (74-1/GEN11bf) dated 11 February 2004.

#### 3.12 Leachate Management Infrastructure

- 3.12.1 Leachate management infrastructure including the leachate interceptor trench shall be provided and maintained at the facility as described in Appendix V of the application and specified in Drawing No. 2001-024-06-001 Rev B.
- 3.12.2 All structures for the storage and/or treatment of leachate shall be fully enclosed except for inlet and outlet piping.

#### 3.13 Landfill Gas Management

- 3.13.1 Landfill gas management infrastructure shall be provided and maintained at the facility as described in Appendix V of the application and specified in Drawing No. 2001-024-06-001 Rev B.
- 3.13.2 A landfill gas flare shall be provided and maintained at the facility. The flare shall be of an enclosed type design unless otherwise agreed by the Agency.
- 3.13.3 Flare unit efficiency shall be tested once it is installed and once every three years thereafter.
- 3.13.4 All buildings constructed on the facility shall have regard to the guidance given in the Department of Environment 1994 publication "Protection of New Buildings and Occupants from Landfill Gas" and any subsequent revisions.

#### 3.14 Surface Water Management

- 3.14.1 Effective surface water management infrastructure shall be provided and maintained at the facility during construction, operation, restoration and aftercare of the facility. As a minimum, the infrastructure shall be capable of the following:-
  - The prevention of contaminated water and leachate discharges into surface water drains and courses;
  - b) The collection/diversion of run off arising from capped and restored areas.
- 3.14.2 The existing surface water french cut-off drain at Area 4 shall be as specified in Drawing No. 2002-024-03-002 Rev B, unless otherwise agreed by the Agency.

#### 3.15 Groundwater Management

- 3.15.1 Effective groundwater management infrastructure shall be provided and maintained at the facility during construction, operation, restoration and aftercare of the facility. As a minimum, the infrastructure shall be capable of the following:
  - a) The protection of the groundwater resources from pollution by the waste activities.
- 3.16 Construction and Demolition Waste Recovery Area.
  - 3.16.1 The licensee shall provide and maintain a construction and demolition waste recovery area. This infrastructure shall at a minimum comprise the following:
    - a) An impermeable concrete slab; and
    - b) Collection and disposal infrastructure for all run-off.
- 3.17 Collection of recyclable materials
  - 3.17.1 The licensee shall provide and maintain receptacles near the facility entrance to provide for the collection of any recyclable materials allowed by Condition 5.10.
- 3.18 Monitoring Infrastructure
  - 3.18.1 Landfill Gas
    - (a) The licensee shall provide and maintain the 15 landfill gas perimeter monitoring points as identified in Map 3 Gas Monitoring and Gas Extraction Well Locations dated 29 April 2004.
    - (b) The licensee shall provide and maintain an effective permanent gas monitoring system in the site office any other enclosed structures at the facility.
  - 3.18.2 Replacement of Infrastructure
    - (a) 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.
- 3.19 Metal Recovery Area

- 3.19.1 The licensee shall provide and maintain a clearly segregated metal recovery area/scrap metal compound for the acceptance of white goods and other metal wastes.
- 3.19.2 Within one month of the date of grant of this licence, the licensee shall submit to the Agency for agreement a proposal for upgrading the infrastructure associated with this area.

Reason:

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

#### CONDITION 4 RESTORATION AND AFTERCARE

- 4.1. The licensee shall restore the facility on a phased basis. Within three months of the date of grant of this licence, the licensee shall submit to the Agency for its agreement revised Restoration and Aftercare Plans for the facility to incorporate Areas 1, 2, 3, and 4 and the requirements of the conditions of this licence. Final capping shall be completed at Areas 1 and 2 within twelve months of the date of grant of this licence.
- 4.2. The final profile of the facility shall be as shown in Drawing No. 2002-024-03-004 and shall have a final height not exceeding 115mOD Malin.
- 4.3. Final Capping
  - 4.3.1. Unless otherwise agreed by the Agency, the final capping shall consist of the following:
    - a) top soil (150 -300mm);
    - b) subsoils, such that total thickness of top soil and subsoils is at least 1m;
    - c) drainage layer of 0.5m thickness having a minimum hydraulic conductivity of  $1x10^{-4}$  m/s;
    - d) compacted mineral layer of a minimum 0.6m thickness with a permeability of less than  $1 \times 10^{-9}$  m/s or a geosynthetic material (e.g. GCL) or similar that provides equivalent protection; and
    - e) gas collection layer of natural material (minimum 0.3m) or a geosynthetic layer.
- 4.4. No material or object that is incompatible with the proposed restoration of the facility shall be present within one metre of the final soil surface levels.
- 4.5. Where tree planting is to be carried out above waste-filled areas, a synthetic barrier shall be used to augment the clay cap. Combined topsoil and subsoil depths shall be a minimum of 1m.
- 4.6. The restoration of the landfill facility shall be completed within twenty four months of the date of cessation of acceptance of waste for disposal at Area 3 or Area 4, whichever is the latest.
- 4.7. Soil Storage
  - 4.7.1. All soils shall be stored to preserve the soil structure for future use.

#### CONDITION 5 FACILITY OPERATIONS

- Wastes shall not be deposited in any cell or part of the landfill without the prior agreement of the Agency. In any case waste (other than inert waste (subsoil and topsoil) necessary for restoration purposes) shall not be deposited in Areas 1 and 2 as shown in Drawing No. 2002-024-03-007 of the application, unless otherwise agreed by the Agency.
- 5.2 Waste Acceptance and Characterisation Procedures
  - 5.2.1 Waste shall be accepted at the facility, only from customers who are holders of a waste permit, unless exempted, under the Waste Management (Collection Permit) Regulations 2001 or from other licensed/permitted facilities.
  - 5.2.2 Whole used tyres (other than bicycle tyres and tyres with an outside diameter greater than 1400mm) shall not be disposed of at the facility. Shredded tyres shall not be disposed of at the facility from 16 July 2006.
  - 5.2.3 Within three months from the date of grant of this licence, the licensee shall submit to the Agency for its agreement, written procedures for the acceptance and handling of all wastes. These procedures shall include details of the pre-treatment of all waste to be carried out prior to acceptance at the facility and shall also include methods for the characterisation of waste in order to distinguish between inert, non-hazardous and hazardous wastes. The procedures shall have regard to the EU Decision (2003/22/EC) on establishing the criteria and procedures for the acceptance of waste at landfills pursuant to Article 16 and Annex II of Directive (1999/31/EC) on the landfill of waste.
  - 5.2.4 The acceptance of inert waste for recovery shall be as specified in *Schedule F:* Acceptance of Inert Waste, of this licence.
- 5.3 All wastes shall be checked at the working face. Any wastes not suitable for acceptance shall be removed for recovery or disposal at an appropriate alternative facility. Such waste shall be stored in the Waste Quarantine Area only. No waste shall be stored in the Waste Quarantine Area for more than three months.
- 5.4 Working Face
  - 5.4.1 Unless the prior agreement of the Agency is given, the following shall apply at the landfill:
    - a) only one working face shall exist at the landfill at any one time for the deposit of waste other than cover or restoration materials; and
    - b) the working face of the landfill shall be no more than 2.5 metres in height after compaction, no more than 25 metres wide and have a slope no greater than 1 in 3.
  - 5.4.2 All waste deposited at the working face shall be compacted, using a steel wheeled compactor, and covered as soon as is practicable and at any rate prior to the end of the working day.
  - 5.4.3 The working face, or faces, shall each day at the end of the day, be covered with suitable material.
- 5.5 Daily and Intermediate Cover
  - 5.5.1 Any cover material at any location within the facility which is eroded, washed off or otherwise removed shall be replaced by the end of the working day.

- 5.5.2 Within three months of the date of grant of this licence, appropriate cover material shall be placed across the whole landfill so that no waste, other than the following is exposed:
  - a) Waste suitable for specified engineering works; and
  - b) Waste on the working face during the operational hours of the facility.

#### 5.6 Operational Controls

- 5.6.1 All large hollow objects and other large articles deposited at the facility shall be crushed, broken up, flattened or otherwise treated.
- 5.6.2 Wastes once deposited and covered shall not be excavated, disturbed or otherwise picked over with the exception of works associated with the construction and installation of the leachate and landfill gas collection systems unless with prior agreement from the Agency.
- 5.6.3 Completed areas of the landfill shall be profiled so that no depressions exist in which water may accumulate. Any depressions arising after profiling shall be rectified by the emplacement of suitable capping or restoration materials.
- 5.6.4 Filled cells shall be permanently capped within twenty four months of the date of this licence or within twenty four months of the cells having been filled to the required level.
- 5.6.5 Scavenging shall not be permitted at the facility.
- 5.6.6 Gates shall be locked shut when the facility is unsupervised.
- 5.6.7 The licensee shall provide and use adequate lighting during the operation of the facility in hours of darkness.
- 5.6.8 Fuels may be stored only at appropriately bunded locations on the facility subject to the advance agreement of the Agency.
- 5.6.9 All tanks and drums shall be labelled to clearly indicate their contents.
- 5.6.10 No smoking shall be allowed on the facility.

#### 5.7 Waste Handling

#### 5.7.1 Sludges

- 5.7.1.1 Treated industrial and treated sewage sludges shall be accepted at the facility only between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 2.00 p.m. Monday to Friday inclusive. All sludges shall be covered immediately with other waste.
- 5.7.1.2 In addition to the characterisation required under the Waste Acceptance Procedures, the licensee shall carry out analyses on a minimum of two samples per annum for all industrial sludges being accepted at the facility. The results of these analyses shall be presented in the Annual Environmental Report (AER).

#### 5.7.2 Non-hazardous Asbestos Waste

- 5.7.2.1 Only non-hazardous asbestos waste shall be disposed of at the facility.
- 5.7.2.2 Non-hazardous asbestos based construction and demolition waste must be double wrapped in heavy gauge plastic which is clearly labelled to indicate the presence of asbestos.

- 5.7.2.3 Disposal of non-hazardous asbestos waste shall be into prepared bays or trenches of at least 2 metres in depth.
- 5.7.2.4 Deposited non-hazardous asbestos waste shall be covered immediately with at least 250mm of suitable material. At the end of the day, the waste shall be covered with a minimum of 500mm of suitable material.
- 5.7.2.5 No non-hazardous asbestos waste shall be present within 2.5 metres of the final surface levels.

#### 5.8 Off-site Disposal and Recovery

- 5.8.1 Waste sent off-site for recovery or disposal shall be conveyed only by a waste contractor agreed by the Agency;
- 5.8.2 All waste transferred from the facility shall be transferred only to an appropriate facility agreed by the Agency;
- 5.8.3 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.

#### 5.9 Collection of recyclable wastes

- 5.9.1 The following wastes may be deposited into a receptacle for recovery, provided the receptacle is designated and clearly labelled to indicate the specific waste type and where appropriate bunded;
  - a) glass
  - b) metal cans
  - c) paper
  - d) waste oil
  - e) batteries
  - f) any other recyclable waste agreed in advance by the Agency.
- 5.9.2 Scrap metal may be accepted for storage on site in a designated area as specified in Condition 3.16 prior to collection for recovery off-site.

#### 5.10 Construction and Demolition Waste Recovery Area

- 5.10.1 Only Construction and Demolition waste shall be accepted at this Area. Wastes which are capable of being recovered shall be separated and shall be stored temporarily in this area prior to being subjected to other recovery activities at the facility or transport off the facility.
- 5.10.2 All stockpiles shall be maintained so as to minimise dust generation.

#### 5.11 Leachate Management

- 5.11.1 Leachate treatment shall be as detailed in Appendix V of the application 'Leachate and Landfill Gas Management Proposal'.
- 5.11.2 Leachate levels in the waste at new cells shall not exceed a level of 1.0m over the top of the liner at the base of the landfill. When trigger levels are reached for leachate in existing leachate boreholes at unlined cells leachate shall be removed from the boreholes and directed to the leachate storage lagoon.
- 5.11.3 The level of leachate in the pump sumps shall be monitored as outlined in 'Pneumatic Leachate Pumps' detailed in Appendix V of the application.

- 5.11.4 The frequency of leachate removal/discharge from the leachate lagoon shall be such that a minimum freeboard of 0.75m shall be maintained in the leachate lagoon at all times.
- 5.11.5 Unless treated on the facility, leachate stored in the leachate storage lagoon shall be disposed of by tankering off-site to an Agency approved facility in fully enclosed road tankers.
- 5.11.6 Recirculation of leachate or other contaminated water shall not be undertaken without the prior agreement of the Agency and, in any case, shall be undertaken only within cells which have been lined to the satisfaction of the Agency.

#### 5.12 Maintenance

- 5.12.1 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.
- 5.12.2 All lagoon structures on the facility shall be inspected and certified fit for purpose every three years by an independent and appropriately qualified chartered engineer.
- 5.12.3 The licensee shall maintain and clearly label and name all sampling and monitoring locations.
- 5.12.4 The wheel-wash shall be inspected on a daily basis and drained as required. Silt, stones and other accumulated material shall be removed as required from the wheelwash and disposed of at the working face or to a skip.

**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. Landfill Gas
  - 6.3.1. The following are the trigger levels for landfill gas emissions from the facility measured in any service duct or manhole on, at or immediately adjacent to the facility and/or at any other point located outside the body of the waste:
    - a) Methane, greater than or equal to 1.0% v/v; or
    - b) Carbon dioxide, greater than or equal to 1.5% v/v.
  - 6.3.2. The concentration limits for emissions to atmosphere specified in this licence shall be achieved without the introduction of dilution air and shall be based on gas volumes under standard conditions of:
    - a) in the case of landfill gas flare:

b) in the case of landfill gas combustion plant:

Temperature 273 K, pressure 101.3 kPa, dry gas; 5% oxygen.

- 6.3.3. Emission limits for landfill gas emissions to atmosphere in this licence shall be interpreted in the following way:-
  - 6.3.3.1. Continuous monitoring
    - (i) No 24 hour mean value shall exceed the emission limit value.
    - (ii) 97% of all 30 minute mean values taken continuously over an annual period shall not exceed 1.2 times the emission limit value.
    - (iii) No 30 minute mean value shall exceed twice the emission limit value.
  - 6.3.3.2. Non-Continuous Monitoring
    - (i) For any parameter where, due to sampling/analytical limitations, a 30 minute sample is inappropriate, a suitable sampling period should be employed and the value obtained therein shall not exceed the emission limit value.
    - (ii) For all other parameters, no 30 minute mean value shall exceed the emission limit value.
    - (iii) For flow, no hourly or daily mean value shall exceed the emission limit value.
- 6.4. Groundwater
  - 6.4.1 There shall be no direct emissions to groundwater.
  - 6.4.2 Within three months of the date of grant of this licence, the licensee shall submit to the Agency for its agreement, groundwater monitoring trigger levels in accordance with the requirements of Directive 1999/31/EC.
  - 6.4.3 The trigger levels as specified in Condition 6.4.2 for groundwater shall be measured at monitoring boreholes GW12d, GW12s, GW 13, GW 14.
- 6.5. Emissions to Surface Water
  - 6.5.1. No leachate shall be allowed to discharge to surface water.
- 6.6. Disposal of Leachate
  - 6.6.1. All leachate or contaminated water tankered from the facility shall be transported to Tipperary Town Waste Water Treatment Plant, or alternative facility agreed in advance by the Agency, and disposed of there.

**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 The licensee shall, within one month of the date of grant of this licence, submit a written litter control procedure to the Agency for its agreement.
- 7.3.2 All litter control infrastructure shall be inspected on a daily basis. The licensee shall remedy any defect in the litter netting as follows:
  - a) a temporary repair shall be made by the end of the working day; and
  - a repair to the standard of the original netting shall be undertaken within three working days.
- 7.3.3 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.
- 7.3.4 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

7.4.1 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.

#### 7.5 Bird Control

7.5.1 Birds shall be prevented from gathering on and feeding at the facility by the use of birds of prey and/or other bird scaring techniques. The birds of prey and/or other techniques shall be in place and shall be employed every day, from before dawn to after dark, until the waste activities cease and all the waste is capped to the written satisfaction of the Agency.

**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 date of grant of this licence.

- 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. Landfill Gas

8.5.1. All landfill gas monitoring equipment, other than permanent monitoring systems within buildings, shall be certified as being intrinsically safe.

#### 8.6. Meteorological Monitoring

8.6.1. The licensee shall make arrangements for representative meteorological data to be collated for the facility to fulfil the requirements of *Schedule D.6: Meteorological Monitoring* of this licence.

#### 8.7. Topographical Survey

8.7.1. A topographical survey shall be carried out within six months of the date of grant of this licence. The survey shall include a measurement of the remaining available void space. It shall be repeated annually thereafter during landfilling operations and installation of the final capping. The survey shall be in accordance with any written instructions issued by the Agency.

#### 8.8. Stability Assessment

8.8.1. The licensee shall carry out a stability assessment of the side slopes of the facility annually.

#### 8.9. Nuisance Monitoring

8.9.1. 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, shall maintain an Emergency Response Procedure (ERP). Within six months from the date of grant of this licence, the licensee shall submit to the Agency for its agreement, a proposal for the updating (where appropriate) of the documented ERP for the facility.
- 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. 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;
  - 9.4.2. 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;
  - 9.4.3. In the event that monitoring of the slide slopes of the facility indicate that there may be a risk of slope failure this will be treated as an emergency.

**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; and
  - 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 the facility, excluding recyclable wastes brought to the collection receptacles provided on site for recycling. The licensee shall record the following:
  - a) the date:
  - b) the name of the carrier (including if appropriate, the waste carrier's 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 and disposed of 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 of each consignment of leachate removed from the facility. The record shall include the following:
  - a) the name of the carrier;
  - b) the date and time of removal of leachate from the facility;
  - c) the volume of leachate, in cubic metres, removed from the facility on each occasion;
  - d) the name and address of the Waste Water Treatment Plant to which the leachate was transported; and
  - e) any incidents or spillages of leachate during its removal or transportation.
- 10.6 A written record shall be kept for each load of waste departing from the facility including recyclable wastes collected in receptacles. 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.
- 10.7 A written record shall be kept at the facility of the programme for the control and eradication of vermin and fly infestations at the facility. These records shall include as a minimum the following:
  - a) the date and time during which spraying of insecticide is carried out;
  - b) contractor details:
  - c) contractor logs and site inspection reports;
  - d) details of the rodenticide(s) and insecticide(s) used;
  - e) operator training details;
  - f) details of any infestations;
  - g) mode, frequency, location and quantity of application; and
  - h) measures to contain sprays within the facility boundary.

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 EPA, Regional Inspectorate, Inniscarra, Co. Cork;
  - b) comprise one original and two copies unless additional copies are required;
  - 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(a-e), to the Agency as soon as practicable and in any case within five working days after the occurrence of any incident;
  - c) in the event of any incident which relates to discharges to surface water, notify Shannon 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; and

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

Within six months of the date of grant of this licence, a report examining waste recovery options shall be submitted to the Agency for its agreement. This report shall address methods to contribute to the achievement of the recovery targets stated in national waste policies and shall include the following:-

- a) Proposals for the contribution of the facility to the achievement of targets for the reduction of biodegradable waste to landfill, going to landfills as specified in the Landfill Directive;
- b) The separation of recyclable materials from the waste;
- c) The recovery of Construction and Demolition Waste;
- The recovery of metal waste and white goods including written procedures for the degassing of CFC's from refrigerators;
- e) The recovery of commercial waste, including cardboard;
- f) Inert waste to be used for cover/restoration material at the facility; and
- g) Proposals regarding the utilisation of energy from the gas utilisation plant;
- 11.4 Annual Environmental Report
  - 11.4.1. The licensee shall submit to the Agency for its agreement, by 31<sup>st</sup> March of each year an Annual Environmental Report (AER).
  - 11.4.2. The AER shall include as a minimum the information specified in *Schedule G:*Content of the 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 report to 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 €14,940 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 Acts, 1996 to 2003. The licensee shall in 2005 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 2004, the licensee shall pay a pro rata amount from the date of this licence to 31st 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 conditions, changes in law, regulations, regulatory authority charges, or other significant changes.

#### 12.3 Cost of landfill of waste

The licensee shall ensure the costs in the setting up, operation of, provision of financial security and closure and after-care for a period of at least 30 years shall be covered by the price to be charged for the disposal of waste at the facility.

**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 for Disposal at the landfill

WASTE TYPE Note 1	MAXIMUM QUANTITY Note <sup>2</sup> (Tonnes per Annum)
Household	30,000
Commercial	4,000
Treated Sewage Sludge	500
Construction & Demolition	1,000
Industrial non-hazardous solids	3,500
Treated industrial non-hazardous sludges	1,000
TOTAL	40,000

Note 1: Only pre-treated wastes are acceptable for disposal as set out in Article 6 (a) of the Landfill Directive.

Table A.2 Waste Categories for Recovery at the facility up until completion of the restoration of the landfill

WASTE TYPE	LIMITATION	
Recyclable wastes	Subject to Condition 5.10.	
Inert wastes	For use on site - in road making material, as cover material and in capping and restoration works.	

Note 2: Quantities of waste types may be altered, subject to the agreement of the Agency, provided the total quantity for disposal does not exceed 40,000 tonnes per annum.

### **SCHEDULE B: Specified Engineering Works**

#### **Specified Engineering Works**

Development of the facility including preparatory works and lining.

Lining works and critical quality assurance reports (CQA) at Areas 3 and 4. To include details on formation levels of the cells.

Final capping.

Installation of Landfill Gas Management Infrastructure.

Installation of Landfill Gas Combustion Plant.

Installation of Leachate Management Infrastructure.

Installation of Groundwater Control Infrastructure.

Installation of Surface Water Management Infrastructure.

Any other works notified in writing by the Agency.

#### **SCHEDULE C:** Emission Limits

**C.1 Noise Emissions:** (Measured at the facility boundary monitoring points indicated in *Table D.1.1 Monitoring Locations*), or other locations agreed or instructed by the Agency.

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

**C.2** Landfill Gas Concentration Limits: (Measured in any building on or adjacent to the facility).

Methane	Carbon Dioxide
20 % LEL (1% v/v)	1.5 % v/v

**C.3 Dust Deposition Limits:** (Measured at the monitoring points indicated in *Table D.1.1 Monitoring Locations*).

Level (mg/m² /day) <sup>Note 1</sup>	
350	

**Note 1:** 30 day composite sample with the results expressed as mg/m<sup>2</sup>/day.

#### C.4 Emission Limits Values for Landfill Gas Plant

Emission Point Reference Nos.: (to be agreed by the Agency)

Location: Landfill Gas Combustion Plant and Flare Stacks

Volume to be emitted: (to be agreed by the Agency)

Minimum discharge height: 5m

Parameter	Flare (enclosed) Emission Limit Value Note 1	Utilisation Plant Emission Limit Value Note 1
Nitrogen oxides (NO <sub>x</sub> )	$150 \text{ mg/m}^3$	$500 \text{ mg/m}^3$
СО	$50 \text{ mg/m}^3$	$650 \text{ mg/m}^3$
Particulates	Not applicable	$130 \text{ mg/m}^3$
Total organic carbon (TOC)	$10 \text{ mg/m}^3$	Not applicable

**Note 1:** Dry gas referenced to 5% oxygen by volume for utilisation plants and 3% oxygen by volume for flares.

Note 2: In addition to the above individual limits, the sum of the concentrations of Class I, II and III shall not exceed the Class III limits.

### **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, as shown in Drawing Number 6 of the application unless otherwise indicated or agreed by the Agency.

Table D.1.1 Monitoring Locations

LANDFILL GAS	DUST	NOISE	SURFACE WATER	GROUND WATER	LEACHATE
STATIONS Note 1	STATIONS Note 3	STATIONS Note 3	STATIONS Note 2	STATIONS Note 2	STATIONS Note 4
GM1	ST1	N1	SW1	GW12d Note 6	LC 4
GM3	ST2	N2	SW2	GW12s Note 6	L1
GM5	ST3	N3	SW3	GW11d	L2
GM7		N4	SW4 <sup>Note 5</sup>	GW11s	L3
GM8		S1		GW13 Note 6	L4
GM11		S2		GW14 Note 6	SW5 Note 2
GM13				GW15	
GM15					
G1					
G2					
G3					
G4					

**Note 1:** As shown in Map 3 Gas Monitoring and Gas Extraction Well Locations dated 29 April 2004.

Note 2: As shown in Map 1 Groundwater and Surface Water Monitoring Locations dated 29 April 2004.

Note 3: As shown in Map 2 Dust and Noise Monitoring Locations dated 29 April 2004.

Note 4: As shown in Map 4 Leachate Monitoring and Leachate Extraction Well locations dated 29 April 2004.

Note 5: SW4 in Ballydonagh Marsh 1.7km south-east. As shown in Map 1 Groundwater and Surface Water Monitoring Locations

**Note 6:** Monitoring wells for which trigger levels shall be set as specified in Condition 6.4.3.

#### D.2 Landfill Gas

Table D.2.1 Landfill Gas Monitoring Parameters, Frequency and Technique

Parameter	Monitoring Frequency		Analysis Method <sup>Note1</sup> /Technique <sup>Note2</sup>
	Gas Boreholes/ Vents/Wells	Site Office	
Methane (CH <sub>4</sub> ) % v/v	Monthly	Weekly	Infrared analyser/flame ionisation detector
Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> )%v/v	Monthly	Weekly	Infrared analyser/ flame ionisation detector
Oxygen(O2) %v/v	Monthly	Weekly	Electrochemical cell
Atmospheric Pressure	Monthly	Weekly	Standard
Temperature	Monthly	Weekly	Standard

Note1: All monitoring equipment used should be intrinsically safe.

Note 2: Or other methods agreed in advance by the Agency.

#### D.3 Dust

Table D.3.1 Dust Monitoring Frequency and Technique

Parameter (mg/m²/day)	Monitoring Frequency	Analysis Method/Technique
Dust	Three times a year Note 2	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.

Note 2: Twice during the period May to September.

#### D.4 Noise

 Table D.4.1
 Noise 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.5 Surface Water, Groundwater and Leachate

Table D.5.1 Water and Leachate - Parameters /Frequency

Parameter Note 1	SURFACE WATER	GROUNDWATER	LEACHATE Note 6
	Monitoring Frequency	Monitoring	Monitoring
	<b>3 1 1 1</b>	Frequency	Frequency
Visual Inspection/Odour Note 2	Weekly	Quarterly	Quarterly
Groundwater Level	Not Applicable	Monthly	Not Applicable
Leachate Level	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Weekly
Ammoniacal Nitrogen	Quarterly	Quarterly	Quarterly
BOD	Quarterly	Not Applicable	Quarterly
COD	Quarterly	Not Applicable	Quarterly
Chloride	Quarterly	Quarterly	Quarterly
Dissolved Oxygen	Quarterly	Quarterly	Not Applicable
Electrical Conductivity	Weekly	Quarterly	Quarterly
рН	Quarterly	Quarterly	Quarterly
Total Suspended Solids	Quarterly	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Temperature	Quarterly	Monthly	Quarterly
Cadmium	Annually	Annually	Annually
Calcium	Annually	Annually	Annually
Chromium (Total)	Annually	Annually	Annually
Copper	Annually	Annually	Annually
Cyanide (Total)	Not Applicable	Annually	Annually
Iron	Annually	Quarterly	Annually
Lead	Annually	Annually	Annually
List I/II organic substances Note 3	Not Applicable	Annually	Not Applicable
Magnesium	Annually	Annually	Annually
Manganese	Annually	Annually	Annually
Mercury	Annually	Annually	Annually
Nickel	Not Applicable	Annually	Annually
Potassium	Annually	Quarterly	Annually
Sulphate	Annually	Annually	Annually
Sodium	Annually	Quarterly	Annually
Total Alkalinity	Annually	Annually	Not Applicable
Total Phosphorus / orthophosphate	Annually	Annually	Annually
Total Oxidised Nitrogen	Annually	Quarterly	Quarterly
Total Organic Carbon	Not Applicable	Quarterly	Not Applicable
Zinc	Annually	Annually	Annually
Phenols	Not Applicable	Quarterly	Not Applicable
Faecal Coliforms Note 4	Not Applicable	Quarterly	Annually
Total Coliforms Note 4	Not Applicable	Quarterly	Annually
Biological Assessment	Bi-Annually Note 5	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

- Note 1: All the analysis shall be carried out by a competent laboratory using standard and internationally accepted procedures.
- Note 2: Where there is evident gross contamination of leachate, additional samples should be analysed.
- Note 3: Samples screened for the presence of organic compounds using Gas Chromatography / Mass Spectrometry (GC/MS) or other appropriate techniques and using the list I/II Substances from EU Directive 76/464/EEC and 80/68/EEC as a guideline. Recommended analytical techniques include: volatiles (US Environmental Protection Agency method 524 or equivalent), semi-volatiles (US Environmental Protection Agency method 508 or equivalent).
- Note 4: In the case where groundwater is extracted for drinking water, if there is evidence of bacterial contamination, the analysis at up gradient and downgradient monitoring points should include enumeration of total bacteria at 22°C and 37°C and faecal streptococci.
- Note 5: Appropriate biological methods (such as EPA Q-Rating System to be used for the assessment of rivers and streams).
- Note 6: Visual Inspection and Leachate Levels for all leachate stations referred to in Table D.1.1. Sampling and analysis to be carried out for leachate in leachate storage lagoon/tank and two leachate boreholes in waste.

#### D.6 Meteorological Monitoring

Table D.6.1 Meteorological Monitoring:

Data to be obtained from Kilkenny Meteorological Station unless otherwise agreed or instructed by the Agency.

Parameter	Monitoring Frequency	Analysis Method/Technique
Precipitation Volume	Daily	Standard
Temperature (min/max.)	Daily	Standard
Wind Force and Direction	Daily	Standard
Evaporation	Daily	Standard
Evapotranspiration	Daily	Standard
Humidity	Daily	Standard
Atmospheric Pressure	Daily	Standard

#### D.7 Landfill Gas Combustion Plant/Enclosed Flare

Location: Utilisation plant and enclosed flare (location of flare to be agreed by the Agency in advance).

Table D.7.1 Landfill Gas Utilisation Plant/Enclosed Flare Parameters and Monitoring Frequency

Parameter	Flare (enclosed)  Monitoring Frequency	Utilisation Plant  Monitoring Frequency	Analysis Method <sup>Note1</sup> /Technique <sup>Note2</sup>
Inlet			
Methane (CH <sub>4</sub> ) % v/v	Continuous	Weekly	Infrared analyser/flame ionisation detector/thermal conductivity
Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ) % v/v	Continuous	Weekly	Infrared analyser/thermal conductivity
Oxygen (O <sub>2</sub> ) % v/v	Continuous	Weekly	Electrochemical/thermal conductivity
Process Parameters			
Combustion Temperature	Continuous	Quarterly	Temperature Probe/datalogger
Outlet			
СО	Continuous	Continuous	Flue gas analyser/datalogger
Nox	Annually	Annually	Flue gas analyser
SO <sub>2</sub>	Annually	Annually	Flue gas analyser
Particulates	Not applicable	Annually	Isokinetic/Gravimetric
TOC	Annually	Not applicable	Flame ionisation

**Note 1:** All monitoring equipment used should be intrinsically safe.

Note 2: Or other methods agreed in advance by the Agency.

Note 3: Test methods should be capable of detecting acetonitrile, dichloromethane, tetrachlorethylene and vinyl chloride as a minimum.

## SCHEDULE E: Recording and Reporting to the Agency

Report	Reporting Frequency Note1	Report Submission Date
Environmental Management System Updates	Annually	Submit as part of the AER.
Annual Environment Report (AER)	Annually	By 31st March of each year.
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. Submit as part of the AER.
Specified Engineering Works reports	As they arise	Prior to the works commencing.
Monitoring of Landfill Gas	Quarterly	Ten days after end of the quarter being reported on.
Monitoring of Surface Water Quality	Quarterly	Ten days after end of the quarter being reported on.
Monitoring of Groundwater Quality	Quarterly	Ten days after end of the quarter being reported on.
Monitoring of Leachate	Quarterly	Ten days after end of the quarter being reported on.
Meteorological Monitoring	Annually	Submit as part of the AER.
Dust Monitoring	Three times a year	Ten days after the period being reported on
Noise Monitoring	Annually	Submit as part of the AER.
Any other monitoring	As they occur	Within ten days of obtaining results.

Note 1: Unless altered at the request of the Agency.

# **SCHEDULE F**: Acceptance of Inert Waste

#### F.1 Acceptable Waste for Recovery

Only the wastes listed below are acceptable for recovery at the facility, unless otherwise agreed by the Agency.

WASTE	
Topsoil	Solid Road Planings, Solid Tarmacadam, Solid Asphalt
Subsoil	Brickwork
Stone, Rock and Slate	Natural Sand
Clay, Pottery and China	Concrete

# SCHEDULE G: Content of the Annual Environmental Report

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

Reporting Period.

Waste activities carried out at the facility.

Quantity and Composition of waste received, disposed of and recovered during the reporting period and each previous year.

Summary report on emissions, results and interpretation of environmental monitoring.

Volume of leachate produced and volume of leachate transported off-site.

Biological assessment of the surface waters every two years using the EPA Q-rating system.

Report on development works undertaken during the reporting period, and a timescale for those proposed during the coming year.

Report on restoration of completed cells/ phases.

Site survey showing existing levels of the facility at the end of the reporting period and calculated remaining capacity.

Estimated annual and cumulative quantities of landfill gas emitted from the facility.

Estimated annual and cumulative quantity of indirect emissions to groundwater.

Annual water balance calculation and interpretation.

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

Tank, 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.

Environmental Management System updates.

Report on training of staff.

Any other items specified by the Agency.

Signed on behalf of the said Agency on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2004 **Jonathan Derham, Authorised Person**