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TO:	Board of Directors	FROM:	Gerry Carty
CC:		DATE:	30 th November 2001
SUBJECT : Technical Committee Report on Objection to Proposed Decision – Reg. No. 152-1.			

Application Details	
Applicant:	Oxygen Environmental Ltd.
Location of Activity:	Robinhood Industrial Estate, Robinhood Road, Ballymount, Dublin 22.
Proposed Decision issued:	31/08/01
Objection received:	26/09/01
Circulation of objections:	13/11/01
Inspector:	Mr. Peter Carey

Objections received:

Objection by Applicant 1. Oxygen Environmental Ltd.

Consideration of the objections.

The Technical Committee (TC) (Gerry Carty, Chairperson, Damien Masterson and Malcolm Doak, committee members) has considered all of the issues raised and this report details the Committee’s recommendations following the examination of the objections.

Objection No 1: Oxygen Environmental Ltd (26/09/01)

Ground 1 – Proposed Waste Acceptance Hours and Hours of Operation:

The objector states that while they acknowledge the hours in the Proposed Decision are as submitted in the License Application, they would request that these hours be changed to 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Monday to Saturday inclusive for both Waste Acceptance and Operation. The objector states that a number of factors have influenced this situation:

- (1) *Traffic in Dublin and surrounding area has deteriorated to such an extent that ‘rush hour’ is now between 7:00 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. in the morning and 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. in the evening. All vehicles leaving or arriving at the facility during these hours have the potential to be caused severe delays.*
- (2) *Many customer’s especially building contractors are now requesting collections to be made ‘out of hours’ for safety and traffic reasons.*

- (3) *The objector states that as they are a recycling facility, they may need extra sorting time following the delivery of waste to their facility in order to comply with Condition 7.5, that all waste for disposal shall be removed from the facility within forty eight hours of its arrival. This extra sorting time is to ensure that the maximum amount of recyclable material is recovered.*

The objector concludes by stating that in view of the above, they would request that the Agency would accede to their request to this change in hours.

Technical Committee's evaluation

The Technical Committee (TC) notes that the hours of operation and the hours of waste acceptance provided for in the Proposed Decision (PD) are as applied for in the Waste Licence application. The TC considers that, as the facility is located in an industrial estate, extension of the hours of operation and waste acceptance as requested in the objection will not have significant adverse environmental impacts. As the waste accepted must be removed within 48 hours as required by Condition 7.5, and the facility will operate 6 days per week, the operational hours and waste acceptance hours are identical. Therefore, the TC recommends that the PD be amended as follows.

Recommendation:

Amend Condition 1.7.1 as follows:

1.7.1 Waste shall only be accepted at the facility between the hours of **6:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. Monday to Saturday inclusive.**

Amend Condition 1.7.2 as follows:

1.7.2 The facility shall only be operated **between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. Monday to Saturday inclusive.**

Signed: _____

Gerry Carty
Technical Committee Chairperson