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Mr Conor Walsh Thorntons Recycling Centre Ltd. Killeen Road Dublin 10

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re: Waste Licence Application, in respect of a composting facility at Pass of Kilbride, Milltownpass, Co Westmeath,

Dear Mr Walsh,

I refer to the above waste licence application and to advise that it is being considered by the Agency at this time. It has come to the attention of the Agency that An Bord Pleanala recently refused the planning appeal in relation to this development.

In these circumstances, I am writing to you to enquire whether you wish to proceed with the licence application. As you are aware a waste licence, if granted, would not provide the exemption from the requirements of the Planning and Development Acts or negate the statutory obligations or requirements under any other enactments. Should you decide to withdraw the application, you will be entitled to a partial refund of the licence application fee.

Yours sincerely,

Eve O'Sullivan

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