

***Extract from the 458<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Agency, held on 30 August 2005  
in Headquarters, Johnstown Castle Estate, Wexford.***

**6. Report on the Oral Hearing of the Objections to a Proposed Decision on a Waste Licence**

*Licensee*            **Indaver Ireland  
Ringaskiddy  
Co Cork**  
*Reg No:*            **186-1**

Dr Jonathan Derham, Senior Inspector, Office of Licensing and Guidance and Mr Michael Owens, Inspector, Office of Environmental Enforcement, presented their Report on the Oral Hearing of the Objections to the Proposed Decision on the Waste Licence Application of *Indaver Ireland, Ringaskiddy, Co Cork, Register of Licence No 186-1*, which had been conducted in the Great Southern Hotel, Cork Airport, Co Cork on 14 February to 1 March 2005.

The Proposed Decision was issued by the Agency on 26 October 2004 and 15 objections, including 11 requests for an Oral Hearing, were received. On 1 February 2005, the Agency appointed Dr Derham, Chairman and Mr Owens, Assistant Chairman to conduct an Oral Hearing of the objections.

The Chairman's Report was detailed under the following headings:

- Summary and Recommendations
- Introduction
- Third Party Objections
- Consideration of issues raised in Third Party Objections
  - *Health Impact of Emissions*
  - *Air Dispersion Modelling & Ambient Air Quality*
  - *Site Suitability*
  - *Legal Basis for Licence*
  - *Competency of the Applicants*
  - *Need*
  - *Safety Concerns*
  - *Suitability of Technology*
  - *Inspector's Report and Proposed Licence*
- Applicants Objection
- Recommended Final Licence
- Appendices
  - A *Letters of Appointment*
  - B *Draft Licence & Related Papers*
  - C *Objections & Requests for an Oral Hearing*
  - D *EPA letter copying objections to all Parties*
  - E *EPA correspondence on Oral Hearing*
  - F *Digital Audio Record of Oral Hearing*
  - G *Documents submitted to the Oral Hearing*
  - H *Letter from Director General, EPA to Department of Health & Children*
  - I *Recommended Final Decision*

Dr Derham and Mr Owens gave a presentation on the key issues of the Oral Hearing and the Report, including their recommendations. Following detailed discussion, the Directors deferred a decision pending consideration of all the issues and recommendations raised in the Report.

The Directors thanked J Derham and M Owens for their excellent presentation to the Board and commended them on the clarity of their Report. They expressed their appreciation of the professional and efficient conduct of the Hearing. They acknowledged the tremendous assistance of P Nolan and the staff of the Office of Licensing and Guidance administration unit and formally recorded their thanks to all staff involved.