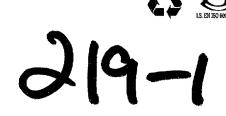


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#### Waste Licence Application by Organic Gold Marketing Ltd. Re:

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NIPETEORIEO FOT ANY We are pleased to enclose a Waste bigence Application for the Organic Gold Composting Facility at Wilkinstown, Navan County Meath.

A cheque for the required fee €6,349 is attached to this letter.

Your attention is drawn to a number of points for information:

- A pre-application meeting was held with Dr. Tom Mc Loughlin of the EPA in August 2004.
- There has been a minor revision to the site boundary since the EIS was completed in January 2005 - this relates to a small area of land at the entrance which has now been included in the site boundary for planning and waste licence purposes, and does not materially affect the EIS which is still fully valid in supporting this application.
- Following completion of the EIS main document, a Public Consultation Report was prepared which followed up on local consultation measures for the proposed facility. This has been submitted to Meath County Council in support of the current planning application and we have attached 4 copies here as well in support of this application. Further copies can be supplied if required.
- Meath County Council have been made aware of the fact that this application is being . made to the Agency (the inserted letter dated 21/3/2005 from Meath County Council confirms the Planning Application is being dealt with by them, MCC mention "a licence under the EPA Act" but we can confirm that the notification by Organic Gold stated a "Waste Licence under the Waste Management Act".)
- Organic Gold currently operate under Waste Permit from Meath County Council, two Permits are included in the Application: ref No. 200/17 and 2002/26. The former was issued when the facility dealt mainly with manufacture of fertiliser, the latter issued in relation to the outdoor composting yard.

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We trust that the application is in order. Feel free to contact the undersigned or Lorraine Herity at our office if you need any further assistance.

Yours sincerely,

Conall Boland For & Behalf of RPS-MCOS CB/cb

cc: John Finnegan, Organic Gold Compost Limited

Enclosures:

- Cheque
- Waste Licence Application original plus 3 No. copies, 1 No. CD copy

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- Environmental Impact Statement 3 No. copies plus 11 No. CD copies
- Public Consultation Report (4 copies, stapled)

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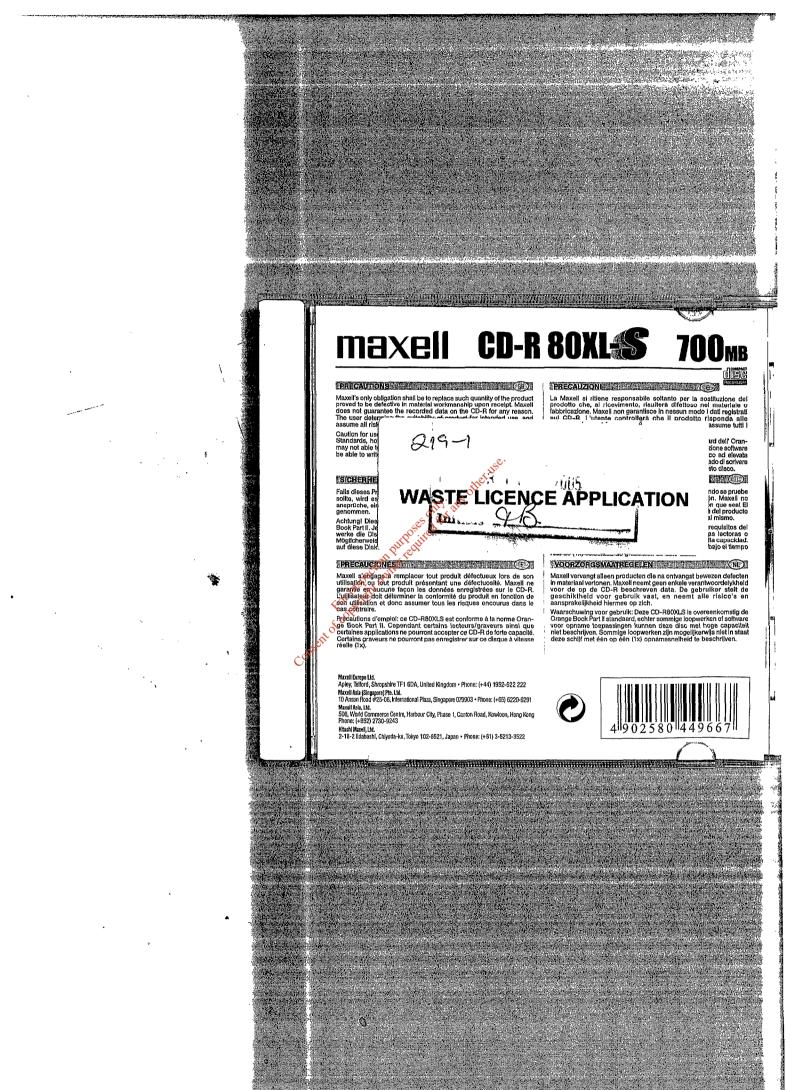
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Application for a Waste Licence

#### WASTE MANAGEMENT ACTS 1996 to 2003

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#### INTRODUCTION

A valid application must contain the information prescribed in the Waste Management (Licensing) Regulations 2004 (SI No. 395 of 2004). The application should conform to the format set out in this application form and the relevant *Guidance Note*. Each page of the completed application form must be numbered, e.g. page 5 of 45, etc. Wherever possible, information should be supplied in the spaces given in the application form. Additional information can be included in clearly identifiable, numbered attachments, which should be cross-referenced with the relevant sections in the application form. <u>A contents list should be included with each volume</u>. The applicant should refer to the *Guidance Note* in order to ensure that the application includes all the information required. Consistent measurement units must be used throughout.

It should be noted that it will not be possible to process or determine the application until the required documents have been provided in sufficient detail and to a satisfactory standard.

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#### CHECKLIST

Articles 12 and 13 of the Waste Management (Licensing) Regulations, 2004 (S.I. No. 395 of 2004) set out the information which must, in all cases, accompany a waste licence application. In order to ensure that the application fully complies with the legal requirements of Articles 12 and 13 of the 2004 Regulations, all applicants should **complete** the following.

In each case, refer to the attachment number(s) of your application which contain(s) the information requested in the appropriate sub-article.

Article 12(1) In the case of an application for a waste licence, the application shall -

(a) give the name, address and, where applicable, any telephone number and telefax of the applicant (and, if different, the operator of the facility concerned), the address to which correspondence relating to the application should be sent and, if the applicant or operator is a body corporate, the address of its registered office or principal office,

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(b) give the name of the planning authority in whose functional area the relevant activity is or will be carried on,

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(c) in the case of a discharge of any trade effluent or other matter (other than domestic sewage or storm water) to a sewer of a sanitary authority, give the name of the sanitary authority in which the sewer is vested or by which it is controlled,

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(d) give the location or postal address (including where appropriate, the name of the townland or townlands) and the National Grid reference of the facility or premises to which the application relates,

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(e) describe the nature of the facility or premises concerned, including the proposed capacity of the facility or premises, and in the case of application in respect of a landfill of waste, the requirements specified in Annex 1 of the Landfill Directive,



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(f) specify the class or classes of activity concerned, in accordance with the Third and Fourth Schedules of the Act, and in the case of an application in respect of the landfill of waste, specify the class of landfill in accordance with Article 4 of the Landfill Directive,

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(g) specify, by reference to the relevant European Waste Catalogue codes as presented by Commission Decision 2000/532/EC of 3 May 2000, the quantity and nature of the waste or wastes which will be treated, recovered or disposed of,

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(h) specify the raw and ancillary materials, substances, preparations, fuels and energy which will be utilised in or produced by the activity,

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(i) describe the plant, methods, processes, ancillary processes, abatement, recovery and treatment systems and operating procedures for the activity,

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(j) provide information for the purpose of enabling the Agency to make a determination in relation to the matters specified in paragraphs (a) to (g) of section 40(4) of the Act,

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(k) give particulars of the source, location, nature, composition, quantity, level and rate of emissions arising from the activity and, where relevant, the period or periods during which such emissions are made or are to be made,

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 give details, and an assessment of the effects, of any existing or proposed emissions on the environment, including any environmental medium other than those into which the emissions are, or are to be made, and of proposed measures to prevent or eliminate or, where that is not practicable, to limit or abate such emissions,

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(m) identify monitoring and sampling points and indicate proposed arrangements for the monitoring of emissions and the environmental consequences of any such emissions,

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(n) describe any proposed arrangements for the prevention, minimisation and recovery of waste arising from the activity concerned,

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(o) describe any proposed arrangements for the off-site treatment or disposal of solid or liquid wastes,

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(p) describe the existing or proposed measures, including emergency procedures, to prevent unauthorised or unexpected emissions and minimise the impact on the environment of any such emission,

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(q) describe the proposed measures for the closure, restoration, remediation or aftercare of the facility concerned, after the cessation of the activity in question,

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(r) in the case of an application in respect of the landfilling of waste, give particulars of –

(i) such financial provision as is proposed to be made by the applicant, having regard to the provisions of Articles (7)(i) and (8)(a)(iv) of the Landfill Directive and section 53(1) of the Act, and

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(ii) such charges as are proposed or made, having regard to the requirements of section 53A of the Act,

(s) state whether the activity is for the purposes of an establishment to which the European Communities (Control of Major Accident Hazards involving Dangerous Substances) Regulations, 2000 (S.I. No. 476 of 2000) apply,

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(t) in the case of an activity which gives rise or could give rise to an emission into an aquifer containing the List I and II substances specified in the Annex to Council Directive 80/68/EEC of 17 December 1979, describe the existing or proposed arrangements necessary to give effect to Articles 3,4,5,6,7,8,9 and 10 of the aforementioned Council Directive,

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(u) include a non-technical summary of information provided in relation to the matters specified in paragraphs (a) to (t) of this sub-article,

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- Article 12(4) Without prejudice to Article 13(1) and (2), an application for a licence shall be accompanied by -
  - (a) a copy of the relevant page of the newspaper or newspapers in which the notice in accordance with article 6 has been published,

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(b) a copy of the text of the notice or notices erected or fixed in accordance with article 7,

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(c) where appropriate, a copy of the notice given to a local planning under article 9,

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- (d) a copy of such plans, including a site plan or plans and location map or maps, and such other particulars, reports and supporting documentation as are necessary to identify and describe, as appropriate -
  - (i) the position of the notice in accordance with article 7,

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(ii) the point or points from which emissions are made or are to be made, and

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(iii) the point or points at which monitoring and sampling are undertaken or are to be undertaken,

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(e) such fee as is appropriate having regard to the provisions of articles 40 and 41.

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Article 12(5)(a) An application by a local authority in respect of the carrying on of an activity at a facility within the functional area of the authority shall be accompanied by 2 copies of the application and of all accompanying documents and particulars as required under subarticle (4).

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Article 12(5)(b) An application other than one to which paragraph (a) refers shall be accompanied by 3 copies of the application or such other number of copies as the Agency shall determine and of all accompanying documents and particulars as required under subarticle (4).

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Article 12(5)(c) For the purposes of paragraphs (a) and (b), all or part of the necessary copies of the said application and associated documents and particulars may, with the agreement of the Agency, be submitted in a computer or other non-legible format specified by the Agency.

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Article 13 Where a development requires an Environmental Impact Assessment to be carried out, 3 copies of the environmental impact statement plus 11 copies on CD should accompany this application.

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3 HARD COPIES OF EIS INCLUDED ? Y/N	YES			
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11 CD versions of EIS, as PDF files, PROVIDED? Y/N	YES			
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Article 13 (6) Notwithstanding the requirements of sub-articles (1) and (2), all or part of 3 copies of the environmental impact statement may, with the agreement of the Agency, be submitted in a computer or other non-legible format specified by the Agency.

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### PROCEDURES

#### It is recommended that pre-application consultations with the Agency are undertaken before a formal submission of the waste licence application.

The procedure for making and processing of applications for waste licences, and for the processing of reviews of such licences, appear in the Waste Management (Licensing) Regulations 2004 (S.I. No. 395 of 2004) and are summarised below. The application fees that shall accompany an application are listed in the Second Schedule to the Regulations.

Prior to submitting an application the applicant must publish in a local newspaper, and erect on site, a notice of intention to apply. An applicant, other than a local authority in whose functional area the development is located, must also notify the Local Planning Authority, in writing, of their intention to apply.

An application for a licence must be submitted on the appropriate form (available from the Agency) with the correct fee, and should contain relevant supporting documentation as attachments. The application should be based on responses to the form, supporting written text and the appropriate use of tables and drawings. Where point source emissions occur, a system of unique reference numbers should be used to denote each emission point. These should be simple, logical, and traceable throughout the application.

The application form is divided into a number of sections of related information. The purpose of these divisions being to facilitate both the applicant and the Agency in the provision of the information and its assessment. Attachments should be clearly numbered, titled and paginated and must contain the required information as set out in the application form. Additional attachments may be included to supply any further information supporting the application. Any references made should be supported by a bibliography.

All questions should be answered. No waste management facility is exactly the same and hence each application will require different information. It is therefore possible that some of the sections of this application form may not be relevant to the activity concerned. Where information is requested in the application form, which is not relevant to the application, the words "not applicable" should be clearly written on the form. The abbreviation "N/A" should not be used.

Additional information may need to be submitted beyond that which is explicitly requested on this form. Any references made should be supported by a bibliography. The Agency may request further information if it considers that its provision is material to the assessment of the application. Advice should be sought from the Agency where there is doubt about the type of information required or the level of detail.

Information supplied in this application, including supporting documentation will be put on public display and be open to inspection by any person. Should the applicant

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consider information to be confidential, then the nature of this information, and the reasons why it is considered confidential should be clearly stated in an attachment to the Application Form. This information should be submitted in a separate enclosure bearing the legend "In the event that this information is deemed not to be held as confidential, it must be returned to (representative of the applicant)".

Applicants should be aware that a contravention of the conditions of a waste licence is an offence under Section 39 of the Waste Management Acts 1996 to 2003.

The provision of information in an application for a waste licence which is false or misleading is an offence under Section 45 of the Waste Management Acts 1996 to 2003.

*Note:* <u>*Drawings.*</u> *The following guidelines are included to assist applicants:* 

- All drawings submitted should be titled and dated.
- They should have a <u>unique reference number</u> and should be signed by a clearly identifiable person.
- They should indicate a scale and the <u>direction of norther</u>
- All drawings should, generally, be to a scale of between 1:20 to 1:500, depending upon the degree of detail needed to be shown and the size of the facility. Drawings delineating the boundary can be to a smaller scale of up between 1:1000 to 1:10560, but must clearly and accurately present the required level of detail. Drawings showing the site location can be to a scale of between 1:50 000 to 1:126 720. Provide legends on all drawings and maps as appropriate.

Applicants must submit a signed original of the completed application, plus three copies (two copies where the application is by a local authority in respect of the carrying on of an activity located within the functional area of the authority)<sup>1</sup>. In cases where an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is required then the Agency must be supplied with three copies of the EIS. In addition the applicant <u>must</u> submit one copy of the complete application on a CD-ROM, and eleven CD-ROM copies of the EIS to the Agency. The e-files should be saved as a 'pdf' file, read only status.

The provision of information in an application for a waste licence, which is false or misleading, is an offence under s45 of the Acts.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Article 12(5) of the Regulations



#### SECTION A NON-TECHNICAL SUMMARY

A Non-Technical Summary is to be submitted. The summary should include information on those aspects outlined in the Guidance Note and must comply with the requirements of Article 12 (1) (u) of the Waste Management (Licensing) Regulations, S.I. 395 of 2004.

The Non-Technical Summary should form Attachment A.1.

## Attachment A.1 - Non-Technical Summary

#### 1. Background

Organic Gold (Marketing) Ltd. is an established waste composting facility located in the townland of Wilkinstown, Navan, Co. Meath. Wilkinstown is a small village set in an agricultural area. The site is located 10 km's north of Navan along the R162 to Nobber and is located approximately 380 metres from the crossroads in Wilkinstown village. The site has been in the ownership of the Finnegan family for a number of decades where farming was the main enterprise for many years. Organic Gold have been involved in composting activities at this site since 1986 where they have been producing 'Organic Gold' a multi-purpose compost, which is widely sold in Ireland. A Site Location Map is provided in Appendix A of this Application and accompanying maps, drawings and photographs are in the EIS accompanying this other use. application.

Summary Details

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Applicant		Contact Details	Location			Local Authority
Organic	Gold	Mr John Finnegan	Wilkinstow	•		Meath County Council
(Marketing) Ltd		Tel (046) 905 4149	Qrdnance		Grid	
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The Organic Gold outdoor composting facility has operated under a Waste Permit from Meath County Council since 2002, in this period they successfully composted green waste, sludge and wood chips in outdoor windrows on part of the existing slab which was on an agricultural farmyard. In February 2004 the company decided to remove existing farm building and make more room for composting. At this time (and particularly due to space and operational constraints) nuisance odours were generated and Meath County Council responded with temporary restrictions on operations.

Organic Gold subsequently employed RPS-MCOS and also Odour Monitoring Ireland to respond to problems and prepare the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and an Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Waste Licence application, as the company intend on increasing the amount of waste to be accepted on site from approximately 10,000 tonnes to 25,000 tonnes per annum.

At this stage, some new proposals are being put forward in the Waste Licence including the use of new technology in the form of in-vessel composting, a waste reception building and improved management and monitoring at the site. This is discussed in more detail in the Waste Licence Application, which will assess the environmental impacts of composting activities at the facility and will also point out necessary measures to be taken to minimise negative impacts resulting from all activities at the site.

#### 2. **Site Description/Current Waste Activities**

The development is located on an open and elevated site with a slope gradually to the north and east. The site is bounded to the east by the R162 and to the south and west by a hedgerow bordered lane

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way which leads to a private dwelling in a cul-de-sac approximately 260 metres from the northern boundary of the composting slab.

The existing facility is located on 4.5 hectares of land and the facility essentially consists of three parts:

- 1. Site Buildings and High Grade Fertiliser Shed (1.2 ha)
- 2. Paddock Area (1.5 ha)
- 3. The Composing Slab (1.8 ha)

Drawing MDE0202 DG004 A04 in Appendix A outlines the Site Layout for the facility indicating the existing and proposed infrastructure.

#### Site Buildings and High Grade Fertiliser Shed

There is a fertiliser production shed on the site, which was erected in 1993 and is typical of agricultural buildings on a farmland. Retail multi-purpose compost known as 'Organic Gold' and a high-grade fertiliser product is produced and bagged in this shed. This activity has not been the source of any local complaint and no changes to current operations are proposed.

Site accommodation comprises a designated site office located to the front of the fertiliser production shed, an entrance lobby to the office and staff toilet and washing facilities. Car parking spaces are also available outside the office area. A weighbridge is in place to record waste loads entering and leaving the site.

#### Paddock Area

The paddock is 1.5 ha in area and consists of typical agricultural grazing grass and is fenced off from the other areas of the site. No waste recovery operations take place in the paddock area.

#### The Composting Slab

The composting slab forms the main part of the facility where all composting operations take place. The slab is located on 1.8ha with a boundary wall of 1.5 metres high, built around it to enclose the slab area. There is also an additional 1.5 metre high earthen embankment outside the wall where extensive landscaping has been undertaken and 2,100 tree saplings have been planted to enclose and screen the site. There is also a 1m tall windbreak mesh erected on top of the perimeter wall, which reduces wind speed and increases the efficiency of the misting system installed to reduce odour impacts.

#### 3. Proposed Expanded Waste Activities and Tonnages

Organic Gold proposes increasing the amount of waste accepted on site for composting from approximately 10,000 up to 25,000 tonnes. The material to be composted will be similar to current waste intake i.e. sludge, green waste, wood chip and other commercial organic materials. However, in the future greater emphasis will be placed on process control, odour nuisance prevention, waste acceptance and housekeeping procedures including health and safety for employees.

#### **Hours of Operation**

The facility will operate from 07.00 to 20.00 Monday to Friday and from 07.00 to 14.00 on Saturdays.

#### Hours of Waste Acceptance / Handling.

The facility will accept and handle waste from 08.00 to 19.00 Monday to Friday and from 08.00 to 13.00 on Saturdays.

#### **Classes of Activity under the Waste Management Act**

#### Waste Recovery Activities under the Fourth Schedule of the Act

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**Class 2:** This is the **Principal Activity** on site and consists of the recovery of organic waste from municipal, industrial and commercial sources such as green waste, wood chip, sludge and a mixture of other organics such as brewers grain. The dried slurry will be recovered thorough mixing with peat to produce a commercial soil improver. Dried sludge will be recovered and mixed with other inorganics to produce a high-grade fertiliser. Other organic waste will be recovered through windrow composting producing a compost product.

**Class 4**: This activity would involve the acceptance of soil and subsoil's on site to be mixed with the compost producing an enhanced soil product.

**Class 10:** The use of finished compost as a soil improver with beneficial consequences for land to which it is added in land remediation projects.

Class 11: The use of waste obtained from licensed recovery activities.

Class 12: The exchange of wastes for reuse/recycling/recovery at the facility.

Class 13: The temporary storage of waste at the facility pending collection for further recycling and recovery.

#### Waste Disposal Activities under the Third Schedule of the Act

Class 11: The Blending or mixing of waste prior to disposal.

Class 12: Repackaging of wastes prior to disposal.

Class 13: The temporary storage of waste at the facility pending collection for disposal.

WASTE TYPE	(Current) TONNES PER ANNUM (2004)	(Proposed)* ONNES PER ANNUM Total 25,000 tonnes
Household	1,365 3	7,000
Commercial	6,004 50	8,000
Sewage Sludge	2,6270	8,000
Industrial Non-Hazardous Sludges	action P248	2,000

#### TABLE A.1 SUMMARY WASTE TYPES AND QUANTITIES

\* Note the exact mix of wastes accepted can not be predicted, since it depends on commercial forces – the maximum tonnage will remain at 25,000 tpa but the breakdown of the tonnages may vary from shown above. The 'European Waste Catalogue' codes for the specific waste types proposed are presented in Table H.1(D) of the application.

#### 4. Proposed Site Infrastructure

A number of proposals for development of the site are made in this Waste Licence Application (and accompanying EIS) to minimise negative impacts resulting from all activities at the site and include the following:

• The construction of a waste reception building on the composting slab;

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- The use of modular in-vessel composting units for treating all waste arriving on site;
- Improving the site entrance to allow for double lane traffic and improved sight lines safety for traffic entering and leaving the site;
- Improved signage at the site;
- Installation of security gates at the site entrance and the entrance to the composting slab;
- Upgrading of the internal access roads;
- Installation of fire hydrants at various points through the site;

Further details of the main elements are provided below.

#### Proposed Waste Reception Building



The waste reception building will be constructed as part of an odour mitigation measure where all waste handling such as waste inspection, storage and blending will take place. The building will contain a waste inspection area, storage bays for waste material and a waste quarantine area. All material in the waste reception area will be blended and placed in the in-vessel units within 24 hours, so to prevent potential odours being emitted from the reception area. Its design and finish will resemble a simple agricultural building with a view to integrating into the existing area.

#### In-Vessel Composting System

The Wasteology in-vessel composting system will be used on site for the rapid decomposition of the waste material over a two-week period. The in-vessel units are made out of pre-cast concrete and are modular in nature. Six in-vessel units will be required to treat 1,000 tonnes of waste over a two week period. However, as part of a contingency plan it is proposed to employ eight of these units so that there is some available capacity to allow for maintenance and repair of composting units.

The individual units which are 15m long, 8m wide and 2.5m high and are based on the Alfabloc instant walling system which will be placed on the existing concrete slab. The units are unique in that they have a retractable roof manufactured out of a PVC coated material. The retractable roof can be either manually or mechanically retracted during loading and unloading of the units. The material in the roof has being designed to withstand severe weather conditions. Air handling units control air flow through the composting material and maintain appropriate temperatures. Safety rails around the top of the wall of the units ensures operator safety during site operation. The Wasteology system is designed as a modular and flexible system.

#### Revised Site Entrance

The existing site entrance will be altered to allow for double lane traffic and improved site safety and sight lines onto the R162.

#### 5. Proposed Processing of Waste Material

#### Reception of Material and Mixing

All the waste accepted on site will undergo inspection in the waste reception building before it is stored in the storage bays. Bulking materials such as wood chip and saw dust are required in the composting process as these materials provide a carbon source on which microbes can feed off. The organic waste material provides the nitrogen sources required by microbes for cell growth and functioning.

Organic Gold have found that the best mixture for matrix materials of wood chip, green waste and sludge is a 1:1:1 ratio. These materials will be blended together in that ratio in the waste reception building.

#### In-Vessel Compositing Units

All material will be moved to the enclosed composting vessels within 24 hours of arriving on the site, using front loaders. The roof will be retracted to allow for the vessel to be filled. Each vessel can hold approximately 180 tonnes of material depending on the materials bulk density.

The material will be allowed to decompose under forced aerated conditions at a temperature of approximately 60°C over the length of the entire process. The vessels are fitted with fans, which constantly force air up through the composting material via air ducts on the bottom of the units and will maintain aerated conditions in the composting material. The ventilation air is circulated within the system containing any odours from the composting process.

Thermometer probes are manually inserted throughout the material in the unit to allow for temperature to be recorded. Any leachate produced will be stored in a storage tank on the slab, before being recirculated back into the composting vessels or the maturing compost in the windrows, as required.



After 2 weeks of rapid decomposition the volume of waste material will have been reduced by 25% and the compost produced will be stabilised and pathogen free, according to the manufacturer of the Wasteology System. The roof will be retracted and the compost moved to a maturation area using a front loader.

#### Maturation Stage (Outdoor Windrow Composting)

To ensure a quality product is produced, the compost will be removed from the vessels and be allowed to mature in outdoor windrows on the maturation pad.

Windrows will be constructed in a similar fashion to current practice, using front loaders and formed into piles approximately 90-100m long, 3.5-4m wide and 1.5m high. Each windrow will be capable of holding approximately 200-300 tonnes of compost. A maximum of 12-15 windrows will be required to allow the compost to mature sufficiently. Windrows will be turned approximately 5 times during the maturation period or as temperature dictates to ensure that the windrows are kept aerated. Moisture levels of around 50 to 55% must be maintained to avoid drying out of the process. If the material is seen to be too dry stored leachate will be recirculated back into the process and moisture conditions maintained. Optimum moisture levels are required for optimum microbial growth.

The maturation period will take approximately 6 weeks at which time a fully stable, sanitised and mature compost product will be produced in compliance with EPA quality specifications within the future EPA Waste Licence.

#### Waste Prevention, Minimisation, Recovery and Disposal

The facility will be operated with a view to maximising the amount of material composted and good operation and monitoring and also good housekeeping practices will be employed to prevent & minimise waste, and to recycle any material such as packaging. Any waste generated will be separately stored and sent to an authorised waste disposal facility using authorised carriers.

#### Plant & Equipment 6.

wheree The main types of plant equipment used at the site are described below. A more complete inventory of equipment is in the main Waste Licence Application.

#### Composting of Organic Waste at The Compost Slab

- Wasteology In-Vessel Units (x8) bolding 180 tonnes of organic waste. Each unit is 8 metres wide, 15 metres long and 2.5 metres high to the walls. Details in Appendix to this Licence Application.
- Backhus 15.5 Compost Turner Purpose built self-propelled compost turning machine.
- Woiberforce Shredder for shredding green waste and wood waste.
- Idrotech Odour Control Fogging System, erected along the compost slab perimeter with spray nozzles at 1.5 metre intervals. It is controlled by a wind directional change using a plc-controlled system.

Other equipment includes a mechanical loading shovel with air conditioned cab, two 14 tonne tipping trailer with roll over cover, a trailer which can hold 40 m<sup>3</sup> of material with a special mechanism to prevent spillages of material, a tractor and a 3000psi Three Phase Power Washer.

#### **Processing of Organic Gold Retail Fertiliser**

The equipment used in this process includes a mechanical loading shovel, an agricultural muck spreader (rear flails) converted for compost turning, a grader for screening compost, a compost blending hopper and elevator to bagging plant, an air compressor for bag flushing, compost bag heat sealer, a pallet wrapping machine a tractor and a forklift.

#### **High Grade Fertiliser Production**

Additional equipment for use in this process includes an 8 tonne storage bin, an 8 tonne blending bottle (batch type purpose built aspiration unit with air extraction filter system and a 50 KVA Generator for back up purposes.



#### 7. Potential Emissions and Environmental Impacts

Potential emissions and impacts which may arise as a result of waste composting activities at the proposed development are outlined below. Mitigation measures are also provided where applicable. The subjects of greater significance are discussed first.

#### Potential Odour Impacts

Odour dispersion modelling was conducted by Odour Monitoring Ireland to predict the potential odour impact the proposed facility would have on nearest receptors, working at a full capacity of 25,000 tonnes and during a worst case meteorological conditions i.e. stable, low wind conditions.

The model predicted that (following the implementation of in-vessel composting technology, the building of a waste reception building for waste delivery, mixing and blending, the use of a mist air system and improved odour management practices at the proposed site), minor odour impact may be perceived in the vicinity of the facility at less than 6 'odour units' for not more than 175 hours in a year. This is a similar level of impact as modelled for the existing facility and current waste intake using just a windrow system.

This however is based on a worst-case scenario and will only occur during meteorological conditions that do not favour odour dispersion (stable, low wind speed).

#### **Odour Mitigation Measures Proposed**

- A clear and precise odour management plan will be developed for the site so as to eliminate any significant odour emissions events. This will be integrated into the future environmental management system.
- The proposed use of in-vessel composting units, an enclosed waste reception shed and the mist air system will also help to reduce odour emissions at the site. The material will be greatly reduced in offensiveness after undergoing first stage in-vessel composting.
- That heavy-duty plastic curtains will be installed upon the inlet and outlet door of the waste reception building to reduce air circulation.
- The mist air system will continue to operate at the boundary of the site and will be regularly maintained to ensure odour reduction at the site.
- Odour management practices at the proposed site will need to be precise to eliminate odour impact and will include the following:
  - All raw material will be removed form the waste reception building within 24 hours and placed in the in-vessel composting units;
  - A closed-door strategy will be maintained upon the waste acceptance/mixing/blending building and only one door will be opened for a maximum of 15 minutes per hour;
  - Application of waste acceptance procedures will ensure that problematic odorous material will not be accepted at the site for treatment;
  - All mixing will be carried out indoors;
  - o Sufficient bulking material will be kept on-site to be mixed with the incoming raw material.
  - Meteorological conditions will be taken into consideration when turning windrows and windrows will be turned regularly to maintain aerated conditions;
  - The moisture content, temperature and Carbon:Nitrogen ratio within the windrows will be kept at optimum conditions to favour microbial activity with the piles;
  - Leachate will be recycled back into the process in an appropriate manner. The recycled leachate should be applied evenly and in close proximity to the windrows

- Monitoring of odour emissions according to any requirements of future EPA Waste Licence.
- Organic Gold Marketing Ltd have agreed in principle that a biofilter will be installed at the proposed facility if negative odour impact occurs.

#### **Potential Air Quality (Dust) Impacts**

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Baseline monitoring for dust was carried out, the main potential sources were identified as the composting slab and the site entrance. With proposed improvements to both these areas and the implementation of mitigation measures, no negative impacts are predicted for the surrounding environment. Future proposals for the site include the construction of a waste reception building and an improved site entrance. All waste will be delivered to the reception building where it will be mixed and blended before being introduced into the in-vessel units for composting. The enclosed building and the use of enclosed in-vessel units will reduce dust emissions arising at the proposed development during the blending and first stage of composting. After treatment in the in-vessel units the compost material will be allowed to mature outdoors. This material may become dry, especially in dry weather conditions and could potentially cause some dusty conditions to arise at the site.

The improved site entrance will be asphalted and speed restrictions on traffic entering and existing the site will be in place, which will reduce dust emissions at the site.

#### **Dust Mitigation Measures Proposed**

In order to ensure that no dust nuisance occurs, a series of mitigation measures will be implemented.

- The proposed in-vessel composting units will reduce odeur impacts at the site due to greater containment of dust within the units.
- Waste delivery, mixing and blending should be carried out in the waste reception building which will also help to contain dust emissions.
- Windrows in the maturation area should not be allowed to dry out to prevent dusty conditions arising. If this does occur, the windrows will be "wetted down" to prevent dust emissions occurring.
- The improved site entrance will have a significant impact on reducing dust emissions at the site.
- Site roads should be regularly cleaned and maintained as appropriate. Hard surface roads should be swept to remove mud and aggregate materials from their surface.
- Vehicles using site roads should have their speed restricted, and this speed restriction must be enforced rigidly.
- Public roads outside the site should be regularly inspected for cleanliness, and cleaned as necessary.
- All machinery and waste delivery trucks will be regularly serviced and kept in good working order to prevent further dust emissions.

#### Potential Air Quality (Bioaerosols) Impacts

Bioaerosols are tiny air-borne microbes (such as bacteria, fungi) that occur in nature and are generated by processes such as composting, agriculture (harvesting crops), timber processing etc. Baseline sampling was carried out at the existing facility, which found the highest levels in the composting area during turning operations, which is typical of composting sites. Concentrations were found to be at normal background levels at all of the off-site sensitive receptors (households). There is no household within 260 metres of the site. With the implementation of mitigation measures – these are similar as for dust control – no impacts are predicted.

Future proposals involve the use of in-vessel composting units for the first stage of rapid enclosed decomposition of the waste material and the delivery and mixing/blending of waste in the enclosed waste reception building. The enclosed vessels and waste reception building should further decrease bioaerosol emissions at the proposed site. Therefore, it is considered that there will be no negative impact on sensitive receptors at the boundary of the site.

#### **Bioaerosols Mitigation Measures Proposed**

Several design and operational measures can be undertaken to reduce exposure to bioaerosols. These include:

- The production of bioaerosols at composting plants are well connected with dust emissions. Dust
  produced at a composting plant technically is not a bioaerosol. However, it can carry microbial
  constituents suspended in the air (bioaerosols). So by maintaining dust levels at low
  concentrations by applying dust mitigation measures outlined above, at the proposed facility,
  bioaerosol emissions will also be controlled.
- Enclosing the composting system especially during the first stages of waste decomposition.
- Waste delivery, mixing and blending should be carried out in the waste reception building. Maintain moisture content of the windrows in the maturation area.
- Air filters should be present in cabins of mobile equipment such as the windrows turner.
- Organic Gold will provide Personnel Protective Equipment (PPE) for employees to be used while working at the site.
- Regular health screening will be made available for employees.
- Regular monitoring for bioaerosols at the nearest residences and at the site should be carried out. This is especially the case for the enclosed waste reception area where there is greater potential for employee exposure to bioaerosols due to enclosed conditions.

#### Noise and Vibration (Potential Impacts and Mitigation)

A baseline noise survey was carried out with day and night time monitoring to characterise the current noise environment. The increased volumes of waste and the use of fans on the in-vessel compost units may increase noise slightly. However noise emissions at the facility are not expected to have a significant impact on the nearest household.

#### **Potential Visual Impacts and Mitigation**

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Existing structures present on site have been in place for some time and are in keeping with the agricultural setting. The proposed new waste reception building will be 36m long by 22m wide, with a height of 11m at the ridge and 9.6m at the eaves. Its design and appearance will be simple.

Even after considering the careful design of the building, there will be a negative impact from the new building on visual receptors in the area due to its height and the impact will range from minor to moderate. The proposed scheme will have no significant impact upon landscape.

The objective of proposing mitigation measures is to attempt to reduce the level of visual impact at these locations from significant to not significant. This can most easily be achieved by creating screening using tree planting and the green colour of the proposed new structure will make them less visually intrusive.

In order to reduce the level of impact on the residence to the south east, the mound of spoil that partially blocks the view of the existing sheds will be extended and appropriately landscaped and planted with trees.

#### Human Beings (Potential Impacts and Mitigation)

The EIS considered possible impacts on community. This emphasized the need for successful odour control strategies at the facility. Other potential nuisance problems were considered including litter, pests & vermin, and fire. Appropriate mitigation measures are required – mainly operational procedures – to ensure that these do not create an impact on the local community.

#### **Community (Potential Impacts and Mitigation)**

There will a positive impact on the community due to the employment of 8 full-time staff members and other employment in support of the facilities (monitoring, technical studies etc..) However this is balanced against potential impacts discussed under odour above. At regional level there will a positive impact in that the facility will offer extra capacity for the recycling of sludge, green waste and other organic waste material, especially in light of the lack of sufficient composting infrastructure within Meath and the remainder of the North East Region. Recycling of this waste material will also help to reach national recycling target of 300,000 tonnes of biodegradable waste by 2013.



#### **Traffic/Community/Natural Environment**

There will be an overall positive impact from the construction of the new site entrance. The site entrance will be designed in accordance with design standards as set out in the 'Design Manual for Roads and Bridges' which will increase site safety. The improved site entrance will also create less dusty conditions at the site and therefore will reduce dust nuisance potential.

#### Ecology

Due to the creation of new habitat and screening (on spoil area) and the planting of native trees for screening purposes, there will be a positive impact on ecology at the site.

#### Aquatic Environment

(Surface Waters – rivers, streams) – A baseline assessment was carried out including sampling of the nearby Yellow (Blackwater) River. There are no direct discharges to surface water proposed form the composting area. Provided mitigation measures are implemented (including collecting and properly managing any composting leachate, spills etc.) in the facility design and operation, no impacts are predicted.

#### **Geology and Hydrogeology**

Given that operations will take place on impermeable surfaces, no impacts are expected. Mitigation measures (such as ensuring the integrity of the composting slab) are included, to ensure any leachate generated does not reach groundwater.

#### Archaeology and Cultural Heritage

A Licensed Archaeologist was employed to assess the proposed development. No impacts are predicted

#### Material Assets

No impact is predicted on agricultural land. Measures must be put in place to minimise odour impacts and other nuisances in order to prevent negative impacts on non-agricultural properties.

#### **Natural Resources**

Consumption of energy (electricity and fuel), water and other consumables will increase at the site due to the proposed development. However this is balanced with the environmental benefits of biological waste treatment. The facility will operate under a waste licence, which will require an environmental management system to be put in place. One aspect of this will be to minimise resource consumption.

#### Climate

No significant impacts predicted on local or global climate. Additional energy is used but by diverting organic waste from landfill, greenhouse gas emissions are also reduced.

#### 8. Monitoring

The monitoring programme for dust, PM10 and bioaerosols at the proposed facility is outlined in Section F of the Application Form. It is proposed to monitor for dust three times annually and for PM10 and bioaerosols once annually.

The proposed monitoring programme for noise emissions at the facility is also outlined in Section F. It is proposed that this will be conducted annually.

#### 9. Resources

The primary raw materials used in the facility include peat from Bord na Mona, silica sand, inorganic chemicals lignite and sea weed. Approximately 64,000 l/yr of water 60,000 units (KWh) electricity, and 11,200 litre /yr of diesel fuel will be used in facility operation. Other materials such as deodouriser for the



misting system, degreaser and wetting agent will also be used. The quantities of resources used are outlined in more detail in Section G.I. of the Waste Licence Application.

### **10.** Accident Prevention/Emergency Response

Emergency Procedures are outlined for the following situations:

- Fire Emergency
- Contamination Spill
- Site/Industrial Accident
- An Explosion or Discovery of a Suspicious Item etc.

Contact details for Emergency Services and site supervisors are also included. Further details are shown in Section J of the Application Form.

The European Communities (Control of Major Accident Hazards involving Dangerous Substances) Regulations 2000 (S.I. No. 476 of 2000) **DO NOT apply** to this facility. The activity does not and could not give rise to an emission into aquifer of List I and List II substances therefore Council Directive 80/68/EEC is not relevant.

## 11. Decommissioning, Closure, Restoration and Aftercare

#### Decommissioning

Waste recovery activities will continue to be required to meet our national recycling and recovery targets in the foreseeable future, and as such there is no time limit for closure of the facility at present. In the unlikely event of unexpected closure, all waste material will be moved off-site to an appropriate authorised facility, and all compost product will be moved to authorised end markets. Any remaining raw materials would be returned to suppliers. Upon closure, the facility (including waste reception building) could easily be converted into agricultural farmyard use in keeping with the land use of the area. In this case, a significant amount of machinery from the facility could also be reused. The in-vessel composting units could be disassembled and either sent to another composting site or the constituent parts recycled or disposed of as required.

#### After Care Management

All emissions will continue to be monitored after decommissioning until such a time that Organic Gold Compost and the agency are content that the facility has been fully decommissioned and there is no potential for the release of further emissions into the environment.

### 12. Compliance with Section 40 (4) of the Waste Management Act

The applicant has confirmed compliance with the requirements of the Waste Management Act 1996-2003 in terms of the following: emissions shall not contravene standards or emission limit values, environmental pollution will not be caused, the proposed facility represents application of 'Best Available Technology' principles, the application complies with the North East Region Waste Management Plan, the applicant is a 'fit and proper person' under the Act to run the facility, there will be efficient use of energy, noise emissions will not breach any statutory limits, provision is made to prevent and respond to accidents/ emergencies, and provision are made for orderly closure and decommissioning (more details provided in Section L 1 of the Application.



#### SECTION B GENERAL

#### **B.1** Applicant's Details

Name*:	Mr. John Finnegan Organic Gold (Marketing) Ltd.		
Address:	Wilkinstown,		
	Navan		
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Tel:	(046) 9054149	, <del>,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,</del>	
Fax:	(046) 9054923		
e-mail:	organicgold@eircom.net		

\* This should be the name of the applicant which is current on the date this Waste Licence Application is lodged with the Agency. It should be the name of the legal entity (which can be a limited company or a sole trader). A trading/business name is not acceptable.

#### Name and Address for Correspondence

Only application documentation submitted by the applicant and by the nominated person will be deemed to have come from the applicant.

Name:	Mr. John Finnegan Organic Gold (Marketing) Ltd.		
Address:			
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	Co. Meath		
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Tel:	(046) 9054149		
Fax:	(046) 9054923		
e-mail:	organicgold@eircom.net		
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### Address of registered or principal office of Body Corporate (if applicable)

Address:	Wilkinstown,	
	Navan	
	Co. Meath	
Tel:	(046) 9054149	
Fax:	(046) 9054923	
e-mail:	organicgold@eircom.net	

If the applicant is a body corporate, the following information must be attached as Attachment B1:

- a) a Certified Copy of the Certificate of Incorporation or Memorandum and Article of Association;
- b) the Company's Registration Number from the Companies Registry Office; and
- c) a list of the Company Directors.

#### Attachment B1

The Company registration number is 123347. A Certificate of Incorporation is included overleaf. There are currently three directors within Organic Gold Marketing Ltd., and they are as follows: John Finnegan, Tom Finnegan and Jim Finnegan.

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# Certificate of Incorporation

I hereby certify that

ORGANIC GOLD (MARKETING) LIMITED

is this day incorporated under the Companies Acts 1963, 500 1986 and that the company is primited.

Given under my hand at Dublin, this Tuesday, the 30th day of June, 1987

-RBWW of Companies For Regis

Fees and Deed Stamps £135.00 Stamp Duty on Capital £1.00 Mr. John Finegan, Organic Gold Marketing Ltd, Wilkinstown, Navan, Co Meath.

21<sup>st</sup> January 2005.

Dear Mr Finegan,

I wish to confirm that the land required for the necessary alternations to the site access at Organic Gold Marketing (as per map dated 21/01/05) will be made available to you if required by agreement with all parties.

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Yours sincerely,

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John Wogan

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WASTE Application Form

State the interest of the applicant in the land which is subject to the application. The applicant is (please check):

Landowner	$\boxtimes$	
Lessee		
<b>Prospective Purchaser</b>		
Other (please specify)	Refer to	note below

Note: The majority of the land which is subject to the application is owned and occupied by the applicant. A small area of land (55 sq metres) at the site entrance is not in the ownership of Organic Gold. The EIS determined that an improvement to the existing site entrance would be required and would involve the removal of wooden fencing and some hedgerow from a neighbour's field (namely John Wogan of Grangegeeth, Slane, Co. Meath) in order to ensure the relevant sight lines are provided. Organic Gold have come to an agreement with John Wogan who will allow them to use the part of his land to enable improvements to be made to the site entrance. A letter of agreement is attached as part of Attachment B1. Ownership of the land is outlined on the attached **Site Layout Drawing MDE0202DG0002A04** in Appendix A. The land not in the ownership of Organic Gold is outlined in red hatching. The remainder of the site is in the ownership of Organic gold.

Name and address of all occupiers of the land on which the scrivity is situated (if different from applicant named above).

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e-mail:	Not Applicable	•	

SEE ABOVE NOTE FOR EXPLANATION OF LANDOWNERSHIP

Name and address of the current\* owner(s) and lessees of the land, buildings and ancillary plant on which the activity is or will be situated (if different from applicant named above). A drawing showing the above details should be included in Attachment B1.

Name:	John Wogan		
Address:	Grangegeeth		
	Slane		
	Co. Meath		
Tel:	Not Applicable		
Fax:	Not Applicable		
e-mail:	Not Applicable		

SEE ABOVE NOTE FOR EXPLANATION OF LANDOWNERSHIP



**B.2** Location of Activity

Name:	Mr. John Finnegan Organic Gold (Marketing) Ltd.		
Address*:	Wilkinstown,		
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e-mail:	organicgold@eircom.net		
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\* Include any townland

National Grid Reference	E 284 687
(8 digit 4E,4N)	N 277 219

Location maps with grid references should be enclosed in Attachment B.2. The site boundary must be outlined on the map in colour.

Original maps of the relevant area, such as maps from the Ordnance Discovery Series, from which the site grid reference can be read and confirmed, must be included in **Attachment B.2**.

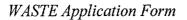
#### **Attachment B.2**

A Site Location Map **MDE0202 DG001 A01** can be found in APPENDIX A. The site boundary has been outlined in red.

An original copy of the OS Discovery Series Map No. 42 is also included.

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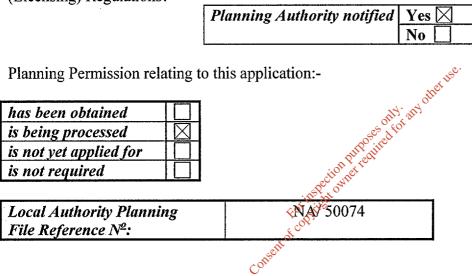
#### **B.3** Planning Authority

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Give the name of the planning authority in whose functional area the activity is or will be carried out.

Name:	Meath County Council
Address:	County Hall,
	Navan,
	Co. Meath
Tel:	(046) 9077238
Fax:	046 9021463

Has the Planning Authority received written notification from the applicant of the application to The Environmental Protection Agency for a Waste Licence under Article 9 of the Waste Management (Licensing) Regulations?



Attachment B.3 should contain *the most recent* planning permission, including a copy of *all* conditions, and the required copies of any EIS should also be enclosed. For existing activities, Attachment B.3 should also contain copies of the most recent waste licence and any permits in force at the time of submission. Where planning permission is not required for the development, provide reasons, relevant correspondence, *etc.* 

#### **Attachment B.3**

Copies of the existing planning permission ref 90/045 and Waste Permits WMP2002/26 and WMP 2000/17 issued by Meath County Council to govern waste recovery composting and fertiliser production activities at the Organic Gold facility can be found in Attachment B.3. A letter from Meath County Council dated 21/03/2005 confirming validity of the most recent Planning Application (ref NA/50074) is also included for information.

#### MEATH COUNTY COUNCIL

Local Government (Planning & Development) Acts, 1963 to 1983.

#### NOTIFICATION OF GRANT

Planning Section. County Hall, Navan.

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To: Organic Gold Manu-

facturing Ltd.,

c/o Turlough McKevitt,

· 50 North Road, Drogheda,

Co. Louth.

PLANNING REGISTER NUMBER: P 90/000045 APPLICATION RECEIPT DATE: 23/02/90

Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of hte powers conferred upon them by the above-mentioned Acts, Meath County Council has by order dated 22/08/1990 granted PERMISSION to the above named, for development of land, namely:-

construction of compost shed, packaging plant, new vehicular entrance from L5 (Main Road) and all ancillary works at Wilkinstown, Navan, Co. Meath.

Subject to the 28 conditions set out in the schedule attached.

Signed on behalf of said Council

Date: 15-11-1990

Rogers M. Koyers P.P. COUNTY SECRETARY

OUTLINE PERMISSION is subject to the subsequent approval of the Planning Authority. Until such approval has been obtained to detailed plans the proposed development is not authorised. NOTE: The permission herein granted shall, on the expiration of the period of 5 years beginning on the date of the granting of permission cease to have effect as regards:-(1) In case the development to which the permission relates is not commenced during the period, the entire development and (2) In case such development is so commenced, so much thereof as is not completed within that period.

#### SCHEDULE OF CONDITIONS

1 The development shall be in accordance with plans and particulars submitted on the 15/1/1990, 30/4/1990 and 25/6/1990 except where conditions hereunder specify otherwise.

Reason: In the interest of proper planning and development.

2 Surface water from site shall be prevented from running onto surface of Flemings lane and Navan-Nobber road by provision of safety kerbs with sumps drained to local drain or soakaway.

Reason: To prevent flooding of public road and in the interest of traffic safety.

3 All surface water from roofs and clean yard areas shall be discharged to local drains through sealed piped system.

Reason; In the interest of pollution control.

4 Wing walls of exit to public road shall be in stonework facing and stonework coping. Detailed plans and elevations of entrance to a scale of 1/50 shall be submitted to the Planning Authority for agreement prior to commencement of Development.

Reason: In the interest of Nisual amenity.

5 Drain at proposed entrance shall be piped with pipes of adequate capacity to take maximum flows.

Reason: In the interest of traffic safety.

6 All vehicular traffic to site including that to the farmyard, and including all construction traffic shall be confined to the new access road from the Navan-Nobber road R162. No vehicular traffic shall be allowed on "Flemings hane".

Reason; In the interest of traffic safety.

7 The new access road from R162 shall be in concrete from the public road for a distance of at least 20metres and all services to site shall be located under grassed area on edge of that road.

Reason: In the interest of proper planning and visual amenity.

3 The new fence along Flemings lane shall include for planting and maintenance of thorn quicks on inside boundary.

Reason; In the interest of visual amenity.

9 The colour of new buildings shall be dark grey, grass or dark green, dark brown, dark red or in finished concrete natural, roof colours shall be darker than wall colours.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

#### SCHEDULE OF CONDITIONS CONTINUED

17 No spreading of slurry shall take place within 15 metres of an open watercourse/drain nor within 30 metres of any source of potable water, well or spring nor within 100 metres of any dwellinghouse.

Reason: In the interest of public health and pollution control.

18 The slurry hydro press shall be contained in an air sealed structure. All air from it shall be discharged through a bio filter system or scrubber, details of which shall be submitted to Planning Authority for agreement prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of pollution control.

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19 Dewatered sludge shall be discharged from hydro-press via a closed chute system to a sealed container for transport to composting shed.

Reason: In the interest of pollution control.

20 Sludge overflow from hydro press system shall be discharged to underground slatted tanks direct and shall not discharge to exterior of building.

Reason: In the interest of Sollution control.

21 Any proposals for floccolation of waters from hydro press shall be the subject of a full planning permission.

Reason: In the interest of planning control.

22 Composting building shall have two doors not greater than 5m x 5m each. Bagging building shall have one large external door not greater than 4m x 4m and on east side of building. Door between bagging area and lobby shall be self closing. Material for bagging shall be conveyed from compost area to bagging area by means of a conveyor located entirely within the building. Any extra doors shall comply with fire officer requirements as set out in condition 24.

Reason; To retain all smells within buildings.

The developer shall pay to the Planning Authority the sum of £5,000 (five thousand pounds) as a contribution to the expenditure to be incurred in improvements and alterations to public roads by the Council to serve the development. Payment of this sum shall be made prior to commencement of development. The above sum shall apply until 31st December, 1990 and shall be subject to review on that date and to annual review thereafter unless previously paid.

Reason: To contribute towards the cost of road improvement required to facilitate the development.

#### SCHEDULE OF CONDITIONS CONTINUED

10 All slurry imported onto the site shall be pressed, having a minimum solids content of 10% and shall be tranported in sealed containers. Details of type of containers shall be submitted to the Planning Authority for agreement prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of pollution control.

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11 All dirty waters from soiled yards including lorry washings shall be discharged to underground soiled water tanks of ten days run-off minimum capacity.

Reason; In the interest of pollution control.

12 The lobby between canteen, offices and toilets shall be ventilated to outer air by extending it to the external wall of canteen and providing a window to that wall.

Reason; In the interest of public health.

13 The development shall be constructed and operated that no pollution of any watercourse will take place and that there will be no reasonable cause for annouance by reason of smell either to persons at any premises in the neighbourhood or to persons lawfully using any public place in the neighbourhood.

Reason; In the interest of multiplic health, public nuisance and pollution control.

14 Effluent shall not be spread on land before or after heavy rain, or on frozen ground and shall not be spread within 15 metres of any watercourse or within 30 metres of any well or source of potable water supply. Slurry shall be spread at a rate of 2,000 gallons maximum per acre per cut of silage (anual maximum of 4,000 gallons) or 1,500 gallons maximum per annum on land for grazing.

Reason: In the interest of public health and pollution control.

15 The slurry shall be spread only in accordance with the usage of the land and the capacity of the land to retain, neutralise and decompose it. The rate of spreading shall be such as to prevent surface run-off, ponding or seepage into covered field drains.

Reason: In the interest of public health and pollution control.

16 If at any time the Planning Authority is satisfied that the spreading of slurry on land is causing water or soil pollution, the spreading operation shall cease immediately on the direction of the said Authority and shall not be resumed until permission therefore is granted by the said Authority.

Reason: In the interest of public health and pollution

#### SCHEDULE OF CONDITIONS CONTINUED

24 That the requirements of Meath County Council as set out on the attached schedule in relation to fire safety shall be complied with.

Reason: In the interest of fire safety.

25 Exits specified in requirement numbers 2 and 3 of Fire Officers report (see condition 24) shall be provided with internal lobbies fitted with self closing doors.

Reason: To retain any smells from the composting and bagging operation within the composting and bagging building.

26 A minimum area of 210 hectares (515 acres) shall be available at all times for disposal of slurry from site.

Reason: In the interest of pollution control.

27 Prior to the 31st January each year, the operator shall submit the following information to the Planning Authority:-

(a) Details of lands under the operators control, and of other lands in relation to which he has legal binding agreements with the owners for the spreading of slurry, the details to include Ordnance Survey maps to a scale 6 inches to the mile showing the lands in question, together with satisfactory evidence of the existence of legal binding agreements with the other dandowners concerned.

(b) Copy of the register of the previous years spreading maintained in accordance with the terms of condition 28 below:

(c) Details of soil nutrients, drainage characteristics and crooping rountine of the lands referred to at (a) above lands which have received excessive dressings of slurry shall be indicated.

(d) Proposed spreading rates and times of spread.

Reason: To enable the Planning Authority to exercise control of spreading as envisaged in condition 6 above - and to prevent soil pollution.

28 The operator shall maintain on the site, at his expense, a register for each year which shall include:-

(a) The results of soil nutrient and drainage tests on lands used or proposed to be used for spreading.

(b) Ordnance Survey maps to a scale of 6 inches to the mile, showing the location of the said lands and all drains, streams, rivers, watercourses and other sources of water supply on the lands or in their vicinity;

(c) Details of legally binding agreements with regard to spreading with the other landowners concerned and

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#### SCHEDULE OF CONDITIONS CONTINUED

28 (d) A record of all spreading carried out, including details of the time and duration of spreading and the location and ownership of the lands on which the slurry was spread.

The register shall be available for inspection by the planning authority at all reasonable times.

Reason: To enable the development to be monitored int he interets of public health and the prevention of pollution.

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PLANNING SECTION COUNTY HALL NAVAN. 23rd August, 1990.

Organic Gold Manufacturing Ltd., c/o Turlough McKevitt, 50 North Road, Drogheda, Co. Louth.

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Re: Application Ref. No. P90/0045

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Dear Sir,

1 wish to refer to the above application and to inform you that the following are the requirements of the Fire Authority, Meath County Council in respect of this application.

- 1 The applicant shall comply with the relevant fire safety aspects of the Proposed Regulations (1983) i.e. Parts A,B,G,N,P,Q and R.
- Provide at least two exits from the compost room which leads direct to the open air. The exits shall be sited remote from each other and shall be located at the extremities of the building so as to obviate dead ends (dead ends mean any floor area or part of a floor area from which escape is possible in one direction only). The width of an exit shall be 760mm. The exit door shall be secured and marked to conform with the Safety in Industry Acts 1955-'81. Door shall open in direction of egress.
- 3 Provide an exit door from bagging shed remote from exit via office. The exit shall be sited to obviate dead ends. The width of exit shall be 760mm. The exit door shall be secured and marked to conform with the Safety in Industry Acts 1955-'81. Door shall open in direction of egress.
- 4 Door from corridor outside canteen to bagging shed shall have fire resistance of 30 minutes and be self closing.
- 5 Corridor outside canteen shall be separated from remainder of building with construction including doors having fire resistance of 30 minutes. Doors shall be self closing. Doors to toilets need not be fire resisting if there is no fire risk in toilets.

Door from corridor outside canteen to office shall be available for use as means of escape from canteen and bagging shed. This door and the door to the open air from the office shall be marked and secured in accordance with the Safety in Industry Acts 1955-'81.

7 If it is proposed to use this premises during the hours of darkness, the parts of the premises to be used by persons working in the premises and the escape routes from these parts to the final exits leading to the open air shall be equipped with an emergency lighting system designed and installed to comply with I.S. 3217: 1989. The escape routes and exits shall also be indicated by direction signs and exit signs illuminated by both normal and emergency lighting.

Provide one hydrant for fire fighting purposes.

(a) provide 2 general purpose fire extinguishers in the source compost shed. This shall have a fire rating of at least 13A.

(b) provide a general purpose fire extinguisher in the bagging shed. This shall have a fire rating of at least 13A.

(c) provide a 3kg. dry powder type (55B rating) fire extinguisher in the kitchen. A fire blanket shall also be installed in the kitchen.

(d) provide a Carbon Dioxide type fire extinguiser (21B rating) at the electrical power distribution and intake board.

(e) provide a multipurpose type fire extinguisher in the office with a minimum rating of 13A.

(f) fire extinguishers shall comply with the requirements of either I.S. 290: 1986 or B.S. 5423: 1987. They shall be installed in accordance with the recommendations of B.S. 5306: Part 3; 1985.

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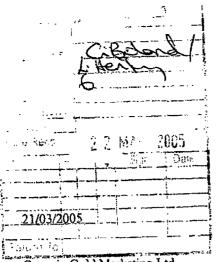
10 The wall between the Bagging Shed and the compost shed shall have at least two hours fire resistance.

Yours faithfully,

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p.p. <u>M. Rogers</u> <u>M. Rogers</u> Staff Officer



#### Meath County Council

Planning Section County Hall Navan 046 - 9021581

Reference: NA/50074

Organic Gold Marketing Ltd C/o RPS MCOS Carnegie House Library Road Dun Loaghaire Co Dublin

Your application for PERMISSION for retention for ancillary composting facilities at existing development(existing planning permission 90/045) comprising bunded concrete yard area, permission is also requested for the completion of works including boundary fence and landscaping and for revisions to be made to the site layout, boundary and site entrance. Such changes are listed hereunder. All waste accepted on site will be treated in enclosed in-vessel composting units during the first stage of composting, a waste reception building (area 792 sq m, maximum height 11m) will be built on the slab where waste will be inspected, stored and blended prior to being composted in the invessell units (8 units in total, area of each unit will be 120sq m maximum height 3.9m) an improved site entrance will be development to allow for double lane traffic and to ensure the site entrance meets the DMRB standards, and internal access roads will be upgraded. There will be improved signage ad security gates at the proposed development. This application will be accompanied by an Environmental Impact Statement an the development is subject to an application for a licence under the EPA Act at Wilkinstown Navan Co Meath was received on 07/03/2005.

The drawings and specifications submitted with your application are being examined by the Council's technical staff and you will be notified of the Council's decision in due course.

Please note that no work should be carried out in connection with the proposal until a written grant of permission to do so has been received by you from this Council. The carrying out of work, without the permission referred to, could render you liable for legal proceedings under the Planning Acts.

Yours faithfully,

ea Administrator/<del>Town</del>

Provision is made in the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, for the partial refund of fees in the case of certain repeat applications where the full standard fee was paid in respect of the first application and where both applications relate to development of the same character or description and to the same site

Please note that the validity of this application is subject to the site notice complying with the Regulations. An inspection of the site may be carried out within the minimum period of 5 weeks during which the site notice must be maintained. If in the event that the site notice does not comply the application will be declared invalid and returned to the applicant.

# WASTE MANAGEMENT ACT 1996

# WASTE MANAGEMENT (PERMIT) REGULATIONS 1998

Meath County Council

Ref. No. in Register WMP 2002/26

To: Organic Gold Marketing Ltd. Wilkinstown Navan Co. Meath

Meath County Council in exercise of the powers conferred on it by the Waste Management (Permit) Regulations 1998 hereby grants a Waste Management Permit for permitted waste activity in accordance with the First Schedule of the Waste Management (Permit) Management Regulations, 1998.

Activity 5: The recovery of waste (other than hazardous waste) at a facility (other than a facility for the composting of waste where the amount of compost and waste held at the facility exceeds 1000 cubic metres at any time).

And 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 compositing and other biological transformation processes).
- Class 4: Recycling or reclamation of other inorganic materials.
- Class 13: Storage of waste intended for submission to any activity referred to in a preceding paragraph of this schedule, other than the temporary storage, pending collection, on the premises where such waste is produced.
- To: Organic Gold Marketing Ltd.

Location of proposed development: Wilkinstown, Navan, Co. Meath.

Subject to 7 conditions as set out on the schedule attached hereto.

Dated this .2002. SIGNED: MEATH COUNTY MANAGÉR

Environment Order No. / 93 /2002.

# WASTE PERMIT

Waste Permit Register Number:

Applicant:

Location of Facility:

WMP 2002/26

Organic Gold Marketing Ltd.

Wilkinstown,

Navan,

Co. Meath.

In pursuance of the powers conferred on it by the Waste Management Act, 1996 and the Waste Management (Permit) Regulations, 1998, Meath County Council grants this waste permit under Article 5(1) of the Regulations to Organic Gold Marketing Ltd, to carry on at Wilkinstown, Navan, Co. Meath the waste activity listed below, subject to seven conditions.

Permitted Waste Recovery Activity, in accordance with the First Schedule

of the Waste Management (Permit) Regulations. 1998:

Activity 5: The Recovery of waste (other than hazardous waste) at a facility (other than a facility for the composting of waste where the amount of compost and waste held at the facility exceeds 1000 cubic metres at any time).

Permitted Waste Activity, 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).
- Class 4: Recycling or reclamation of other inorganic materials.
- Class 13: Storage of waste intended for submission to any activity referred to in a preceding paragraph of this schedule, other than the temporary storage, pending collection, on the premises where such waste is produced.

# NOTE:

THE GRANTING OF THIS PERMIT, AND ANY CONDITION IMPOSED BY IT, DOES NOT EXEMPT THE HOLDER OF THE PERMIT FROM COMPLYING WITH THE STATUTORY OBLIGATIONS OF ANY RELEVANT LEGISLATION, INCLUDING WATER POLLUTION, AIR POLLUTION, WASTE, LITTER AND PLANNING LEGISLATION.

## 1. Scope of Permit:

- 1.1 No waste activities shall commence on site unless and until the landowner has applied for and obtained a valid planning permission for use of the site for the proposed activities, if required.
- 1.2 This waste permit is issued under the Waste Management (Permit) Regulations, 1998 to Organic Gold Marketing Ltd. in respect of a facility at Wilkinstown, Navan, Co. Meath only.
- 1.3 This waste permit is granted for a period not exceeding 36 months from the date of commencement of waste activities on the site.
- 1.4 Within one month of issue of this permit, the permit holder shall submit details for the written agreement of the Council for a sealed drainage system for the concrete storage area. The drainage system shall be constructed within two months of the date of agreement by the Council.
- 1.5 The permit holder shall clean out the existing drains and upgrade where necessary to incorporate into the approved drainage system.
- 1.6 The permit holder shall maintain a buffer zone of minimum 2m width between the windrows and the earth bunds.
- 1.7 The waste activities shall be confined to the area outlined in the site plan submitted with the permit application received 1<sup>st</sup> August 2002, and shall take place only as specified in the application, as modified and/or controlled by the terms of this permit.
- 1.8 Where Meath County Council considers that a non-compliance with the conditions of this permit has occurred, it may serve a notice on the permit holder specifying:
  - (a) that only those wastes as specified, if any, in the notice are to be accepted at the facility after the date specified in the notice; and,
  - (b) that the permit holder shall undertake the works stipulated in the notice, and/or otherwise comply with the requirements of the notice as set down therein, within any time-scale contained in the notice.

When the notice has been complied with, the permit holder shall provide written confirmation to the local authority 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 confirmation is received from the Council that the notice is withdrawn.

- 2. Management of the activity:
- 2.1 A copy of the permit shall be kept on site at all times.

- 2.2 Waste shall only be accepted at the site between the hours of 8am and 6pm Monday to Saturday (excluding Bank and National Holidays). No waste shall be accepted on Sundays.
- 2.3 The site shall be adequately manned and supervised at all times. It shall be maintained to the satisfaction of Meath County Council, and adequate precautions shall be taken to prevent unauthorised access to the site.
- 3. Notification and record keeping:
- 3.1 The permit holder shall maintain a register of the following records on the site:
  - The quantities and types of waste received at the site.
  - The quantities and type of waste not accepted at the site, and details of where these wastes were sent.
  - The dates and times of all waste deliveries to the site.
  - The names of the carriers and the vehicle registration numbers.
  - The origin of each delivery of waste.
- 3.2 The permit holder shall immediately notify Meath County Council by telephone/fax of any incident which occurs as a result of the activity on the site, and which:
  - has the potential for environmental contamination of surface water or ground water, or
  - poses an environmental threat to air of land, or
  - requires an emergency response by the Council.

Full details shall be forwarded in writing on the next working day.

The permit holder shall include as part of the notification:

- the date and time of the incident,
- details of the incident and circumstances giving rise to it.
- an evaluation of environmental pollution caused, if any,
- actions taken to minimise the effect on the environment,
- steps taken to avoid reoccurrence,
- any other remedial action taken.

The permit holder shall make a record of any such incident in a register to be maintained on the site.

3.3 All communications with Meath County Council shall be addressed to the County Secretary.

Address:	County Hall,
	Railway Street,
	Navan,
	Co. Meath.
Telephone Number (normal working hours):	046 - 21581
Fax Number:	046 - 21463
e-mail	info@meathcoco.ie

- 3.4 The permit holder shall make all records maintained on the site available to Meath County Council staff at all reasonable times, and shall provide any relevant information when so requested by an authorised person of Meath County Council.
- 3.5 The permit holder shall notify Meath County Council, in writing, within 7 days of:
  - The imposition of any requirement on the permit holder by order under Section 57 or 58 of the Waste Management Act 1996, or
  - Any conviction of the permit holder for an offence under the Waste Management Act, 1996.
- 3.6 The permit holder shall submit to Meath County Council, an Annual Environmental Report (AER) for the preceding calendar year by no later than February 28<sup>th</sup> of each year. The first AER shall be submitted by 28<sup>th</sup> February 2004 in respect of the period from date of issue of the permit to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2003, and annually thereafter. The AER shall include details of:
  - the management and staffing structure of the facility; (a)
  - details of any impositions or convictions imposed as outlined above; (b)
  - quantity and type of all wastes accepted and disposed of at the facility (c) during the year:
  - details of any loads rejected at the facility during the year; (d)
  - reportable incidents. (e)

In addition, the permit holder shall include in the report, a written summary of compliance with all of the conditions attached to this permit,

Within one month of waste activities ceasing on the site, the permit holder 3.7 shall submit a report to Meath County Council which shall include the information contained in the registers described above, and details of any impositions or convictions imposed under the Waste Management Act, 1996. In addition, the permit folder shall include in the report a written summary of compliance with all of the conditions attached to the permit

#### 4. Waste acceptance and handling:

- 4.1 The following wastes may be accepted at the facility:
  - activated sludge,

  - spent grain, biodegradable kitchen and canteen waste,
  - \* woodchips and sawdust\*\* -
  - green waster the \_
  - mushroom compost -
  - cocoa shell -
  - cardboard and paper.

No other waste types are to be deposited at the facility, unless otherwise agreed in writing with Meath County Council. The permit holder shall ensure that adequate steps are taken to prevent acceptance of any other waste types.

- 4.2 Before waste activities commence on site, the following details shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, Meath County Council:
  - (a) Specify the waste types to be accepted by reference to the European Waste Catalogue and Hazardous Waste List published by the Environmental Protection Agency (edition valid from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2002).
  - (b) The name and address of the producer of the materials to be deposited at the site.
  - (c) The origin of the materials to be deposited at the site.
  - (d) The name and address of the Contractor(s) engaged to transport the materials to the site, including confirmation that the contractor is operating in compliance with the Waste Management (Collection Permit) Regulations, 2001 (SI no. 402 of 2001).
- 4.3 A minimum notice of five (5) working days shall be given in writing to Meath County Council of the commencement of waste activities at the site.
- 4.4 All waste arriving at the facility shall be subject to a visual inspection by the permit holder, or his staff, employees, lessees or agents. Materials other than those permitted shall be removed immediately from the site. Such waste shall be disposed of (or recovered) at an alternative facility with an appropriate waste permit or waste licence. Following delivery of such unauthorised waste to the site, Meath County Council shall be immediately notified by telephone/fax, and full details shall be forwarded in writing on the next working day.
- 4.5 The permit holder shall remove immediately any waste placed on or in the vicinity of the site other than in accordance with the requirements of the permit. If such waste is discovered it shall be taken to a facility with a waste licence or waste permit authorising acceptance of such waste.
- 4.6 Access to the site shall be limited to one (1) truck per hour, which equates to two (2) truck movements per hour.
- 4.7 The permit holder shall not allow any over-spill of waste outside the site perimeter, as outlined on the site plan submitted with the permit application.
- 5. Nuisances, emissions and environmental impacts:
- 5.1 The permit holder shall take adequate precautions to prevent undue noise. fumes, dust, grit, untidiness and other nuisances during the course of the works which would result in a significant impairment of, or a significant interference with, amenities or the environment beyond the site boundary. If unacceptable levels occur, the permit holder shall abide by the Council's abatement requirements, which may include immediate cessation of operations.
- 5.2 The permit holder shall ensure that the waste activities on the site shall be carried out in such a manner so as not to have an adverse effect on the drainage of adjacent lands, on watercourses, on field drains or on any other drainage system.

- 5.3 If in the opinion of the Area Engineer, or his representative, or officials from the Environment Section of Meath County Council, the permit holder is not complying with the conditions of the permit, they shall be empowered to verbally instruct the permit holder to cease accepting waste at the site from the end of the day on which instruction issues. The permit holder shall close the site and lock the gates. Activities shall not re-commence until Meath County Council gives authorisation to re-commence.
- 5.4 If in the opinion of the Area Engineer undue damage is being caused to the haul roads to the site as a result of the use of heavy goods vehicles (HGVs), he shall be empowered to verbally instruct the hauliers to cease using these haul roads and use an alternative route.
- 5.5 The permit holder shall take adequate steps to ensure that that no material of any sort can fall or be blown from vehicles delivering waste to the site.
- 5.6 The permit holder shall take adequate steps to ensure that vehicles exiting from the site do not deposit material of any sort onto the roadway or adjoining lands.
- 5.7 The permit holder shall spray current working areas and site access roads with clean water during periods of dry weather if dust is being generated to such an extent as to reasonably present a risk of nuisance to neighbouring properties.
- 5.8 The permit holder shall remove all litter from the site and its environs immediately.
- 5.10 The permit holder shall remain responsible in perpetuity for the maintenance and upkeep of all drains and watercourses within and surrounding the permitted area.
- 6. Environmental monitoring:
- 6.1 Authorised staff of Meath County Council shall have unrestricted access to the site at all reasonable times for the purpose of their functions under the Waste Management Act, 1996, including such inspections, monitoring and investigations as are deemed necessary by the Council.
- 6.2 If so requested by Meath County Council, the permit holder shall, at his own expense, carry out such further investigations and monitoring of the facility as required by the Council. The scope, detail and programme, including report structure and reporting schedule, for any such investigations and monitoring shall be in accordance with any written instructions issued by the Council.

# 7. Charges and financial provisions:

- 7.1 The permit holder shall pay an annual contribution of  $\in 1,260$  to Meath County Council, or such sum as the Council from time to time determines, towards the costs incurred by the Council of monitoring the activity, to the extent that it considers necessary for the performance of its duties under the Waste Management Act, 1996. The Permit holder shall in 2003 and subsequent years, not later than  $31^{st}$  January of each year, pay to the Council this amount updated annually in accordance with Table 5 of the All Items Index (base at November 1975 = 100) published by the Central Statistics Office. The Council shall notify the updated amount to the Permit holder. For 2002, the permit holder shall pay a *pro rata* amount from the date of the permit to  $31^{st}$  December, 2002. This amount shall be paid to the Council within one month of the date of grant of this permit.
- 7.2 In the event that the frequency or extent of monitoring or other functions carried out by the Council need to be increased for whatever reason, the permit holder shall contribute such sums as are determined by the Council to defray its costs.
- 7.3 Prior to the commencement of waste activities on site, the permit holder shall lodge with Meath County Council a cash deposit of €3,000 or an equivalent bond or other approved financial provision, as a security for the satisfactory compliance by the permit holder with the terms and conditions attached to this permit, and in addition to provide security for damage to roads. This amount may be paid in instalments, subject to the agreement of the Council. In the event of non-compliance by the permit holder with any terms or conditions attached to this permit, Meath County Council shall be empowered to apply the said funds or part thereof for the satisfactory compliance with the terms and conditions attached to this permit, including road repairs as necessary. Any amount not so used by the Council will be released to the permit holder, when all activities on site have ceased and the permit holder has fully complied with the terms and conditions attached to council.

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# WASTE PERMIT

ISSUED UNDER ON

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# THE WASTE MANAGEMENT ACT, 1996

AND

THE WASTE MANAGEMENT (PERMIT) REGULATIONS, 1998

Waste Permit Register Number:

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Location of Facility:

WMP 2000/17 Organic Gold Marketing Ltd. Wilkinstown, Navan, Co. Meath.

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Location of Facility:

Organic Gold Marketing Ltd.

Wilkinstown,

Navan,

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Co. Meath.

To: Organic Gold Ltd.

Located at: Wilkinstown, Navan, Co. Meath.

Subject to 7 conditions as set out on the schedule attached hereto.

Dated this	day of denote the	, 2000.
SIGNED:	Contraction .	
	MEATH COUNTY MANAGER	

Environment Order No. 172/2000.

# WASTE MANAGEMENT ACT 1996

## WASTE MANAGEMENT (PERMIT) REGULATIONS 1998.

Meath County Council

Ref. No. in Register WMP 2000/17

To: Organic Gold Ltd. Wilkinstown Navan Co. Meath

The Meath County Council in exercise of the powers conferred on it by the Waste Management (Permit) Regulations 1998 hereby grants a Waste Management Permit for permitted waste activity in accordance with the Third Schedule of the Waste Management Act 1996.

- Class 1 Deposit on, in or under land including landfill.
- Class 2 Land treatment including biodegradation of liquid or sludge discards in soil.
- Class 4 Surface impoundment including placement of liquid or sludge into pits, ponds or lagoons.

and 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 composing and other biological transformation processes.
- Class 10 The treatment of any waste on land with a consequential benefit for an agricultural activity or ecological system.

To: Organic Gold Ltd.

Located at: Wilkinstown, Navan, Co. Meath.

Subject to 7 conditions as set out on the schedule attached hereto.

day of 2000. Dated this SIGNED: MANAGER MEATH

Environment Order No. 172/2000.

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# **Activities Permitted**

In pursuance of the powers conferred on it by the Waste Management Act, 1996 and the Waste Management (Permit) Regulations, 1998, Meath County Council grants this waste permit under Article 5(1) of the said Regulations to Organic Gold Marketing Limited, to carry on, at Wilkinstown, Navan, County Meath, the waste activities listed below, subject to seven conditions, with the reasons therefor set out in the permit.

Permitted Waste Activity, in accordance with Part 1 of the First Schedule

#### of the Waste Management (Permit) Regulations, 1998:

Activity 5 The recovery of waste (other than hazardous waste) at a facility (other than a facility for the composting of waste where the amount of compost and waste held at the facility exceeds 1000 cubic metres at any time).

Permitted Waste Activity, in accordance with the Third Schedule

# of the Waste Management Act. 1996:

- Class 1 Deposit on, in or under land methoding landfill.
- Class 2 Land treatment including biodegradation of liquid or sludge discards in soil.
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Permitted Waste 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.

Class 10 The treatment of any waste on land with a consequential benefit for an agricultural activity or ecological system. (Principal activity)

#### NOTE:

THE GRANTING OF THIS PERMIT, AND ANY CONDITION IMPOSED BY IT, DOES NOT EXEMPT THE HOLDER OF THE PERMIT FROM COMPLYING WITH THE STATUTORY OBLIGATIONS OF ANY RELEVANT LEGISLATION, INCLUDING WATER POLLUTION, AIR POLLUTION, WASTE, LITTER AND PLANNING LEGISLATION.

# CONDITION 1: SCOPE

- 1.1 This waste permit is issued under the Waste Management (Permit) Regulations, 1998 to Organic Gold Marketing Limited, Wilkinstown, Navan, Co. Meath. This permit is strictly non-transferable.
- 1.2 The development shall be carried out in accordance with the particulars and drawings submitted with the application on May 22<sup>nd</sup> 2000.
- 1.3 This waste permit is granted for a period not exceeding three (3) years from the date of issue.
- 1.4 Should environmental pollution occur at the site, Meath County Council shall review this permit.
- 1.5 The waste activities shall be confined to the area outlined in the site plan submitted with the permit application on May 22<sup>nd</sup> 2000, and shall take place only as specified in the application, as modified and/or controlled by the terms of this permit.
- 1.6 The permit holder shall give notice in writing to Meath County Council of any significant changes in the information furnished in the application for the permit. Such notice shall be given within three weeks of any such change arising. On receipt of this information, Meath County Council may require a new waste permit application to be submitted.
- 1.7 The permit holder shall be responsible for ensuring that the waste activities shall be controlled, operated and maintained in strict accordance with the terms of the application as modified and/or controlled by the conditions attached to this permit. The permit holder shall establish procedures to ensure that corrective action is taken should any condition of this permit not be complied with. Meath County Council shall be immediately notified of any such breach by telephone/fax, and full details shall be forwarded in writing on the next working day.
- 1.8 Where Meath County Council considers that a non-compliance with the conditions of this permit has occurred, it may serve a notice on the permit holder specifying:
  - (a) that only those wastes as specified, if any, in the notice are to be accepted at the facility after the date specified in the notice; and,
  - (b) that the permit holder shall undertake the works stipulated in the notice, and/or otherwise comply with the requirements of the notice as set down therein, within any time-scale contained in the notice.

When the notice has been complied with, the permit holder shall provide written confirmation to the local authority 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 confirmation is received from the Council that the notice is withdrawn. 1.9 The permit holder shall comply at all times with the provisions of the Community Acts detailed in the table below, insofar as such provisions are relevant to the waste activity to be carried out:

Relevant Provisions	Community Act
Article 9 and 14	Council Directive 75/442/EEC of 15 July 1995 on waste, as amended by Council Directive 91/156/EEC of 18 March, 1991
Articles 4, 5. 8, 9, 10 and 18	Council Directive 80/68/EEC of 17 December, 1979 on the protection of groundwater against pollution caused by certain dangerous substances.

REASON: To clarify-the scope of this waste permit.

# **CONDITION 2:** MANAGEMENT OF THE ACTIVITY

- 2.1 The permit holder shall acquaint all staff, employees, lessees and agents, including replacement personnel, of the provisions and conditions of this permit.
- 2.2 A copy of the permit shall be kept on site at all times.
- 2.3 The permit holder shall erect a notice on site indicating that the facility has a waste permit from Meath County Council within one month of the date of issue of this permit. The site notice shall clearly show:
  - the name and telephone number of the facility;
  - that the facility has a waste permit from Meath County Council, waste permit number, date granted on;
  - the name address and telephone number of the permit holder.
- 2.4 The site shall be adequately manned and supervised at all times while in operation. It shall be maintained to the satisfaction of Meath County Council, and adequate precautions shall be taken to prevent unauthorised access to the site.
- 2.5 A suitably qualified and experienced facility manager shall be designated as the person in charge of the facility. The facility manager or a suitably qualified and experienced deputy shall be present during the operation of the facility. The permit holder shall ensure that the facility manager or the deputy shall be available on site to meet with authorised persons of Meath County Council at all reasonable times. The name, address and telephone number of the facility manager and the designated deputy manager shall be supplied to Meath County Council within one month of the date of issue of this permit.
- 2.6 The permit holder shall establish procedures to ensure that corrective action is taken should any condition of this permit not be complied with. In such instances, Meath County Council shall be immediately notified by telephone/fax, and full details shall be forwarded in writing on the next working day.



# CONDITION 3: NOTIFICATION AND RECORD KEEPING

3.1 All communications with Meath County Council shall be addressed to the County Secretary:

Address:	County Hall, Railway Street, Navan, Co. Meath.
Telephone Number:	046 - 21581
Fax Number:	046 - 21463

3.2 The permit holder shall maintain a register of the following records on the site:

- The quantities and composition of wastes received at the site.
- The quantities and composition of wastes not accepted at the site, and details of where these wastes were diverted to.
- The dates and times of all waste deliveries to the site.
- The names of the carriers and the vehicle registration numbers.
- The origin of each delivery of waste.
- 3.3 The permit holder shall immediately notify the Senior Engineer, Environment Section, Meath County Council by telephone/fax of any incident which occurs as a result of the activity on the site, and which:
- has the potential for environmental contamination of surface water or ground water, or
- poses an environmental threat to air or land, or
- requires an emergency response by the Council.

Full details shall be forwarded in writing on the next working day.

The permit holder shall include as part of the notification:

- the date and time of the incident,
- details of the incident and circumstances giving rise to it,
- an evaluation of environmental pollution caused, if any,
- actions taken to minimise the effect on the environment,
- steps taken to avoid reoccurrence,
- any other remedial action taken.

The permit holder shall make a record of any such incident in a register to be maintained on the site.

- 3.4 The permit holder shall maintain on the site a register of all complaints received relating to the operation of the activity. Each such record should give details of the following:
  - Time and date of the complaint.
  - The name of the complainant.
  - Details of the nature of the complaint.
  - Actions taken to deal with the complaint, and the results of such actions.
  - The response made to each complainant.

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Meath County Council shall be immediately notified by telephone/fax after the receipt of the complaint, and full details shall be forwarded in writing on the next working day. The permit holder shall make a record of any such complaint in a register to be maintained on the site.

- 3.5 The permit holder shall make all records maintained on the site available to Meath County Council staff at all reasonable times, and shall provide any relevant information when so requested by an authorised person of Meath County Council.
- 3.6 The permit holder shall notify Meath County Council, in writing, within 7 days of:
- The imposition of any requirement on the permit holder by order under Section 57 or 58 of the Waste Management Act 1996, or
- Any conviction of the permit holder for any offence prescribed under the Waste Management Act, 1996.
- 3.7 The permit holder shall at fortnightly intervals, inspect the facility and its immediate surrounds for nuisances caused by vermin and litter. Written records of these inspections shall be made and any actions taken as a result of these inspections.
- 3.8 Before February 28th of each calendar year, the Permit Holder shall submit to the Environment Section of Meath County Council, an Annual Environmental Report (AER) for the preceding calendar year. The AER will include details of:
  - (a) the management & staffing structure of the site;
  - (b) details of any impositions or convictions as outlined in the permit conditions, FOTS on herein:
  - (c) quantity, type and composition of all wastes accepted at the site during the year;
  - (d) details of any loads rejected at the site during the year; iÔ
  - (e) reportable incidents:
  - (f) details of all complaints;
  - (g) In addition, the permit holder shall include in the report a written summary of compliance with all the conditions attached to the permit.

REASON: To provide for the notification of incidents, to update information on the activity and to provide for the keeping of proper records.

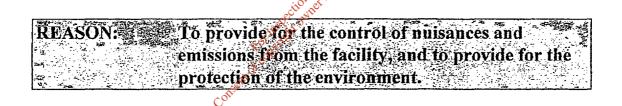
# **CONDITION 4: WASTE ACCEPTANCE AND HANDLING**

- 4.1 All waste arriving at the facility shall be subjected to a visual inspection. Materials other than those permitted shall be removed immediately from the site. Such waste shall be disposed of (or recovered) at an alternative facility with an appropriate waste permit or waste licence. Following delivery of such unauthorised waste to the site, Meath County Council shall be immediately notified by telephone/fax, and full details shall be forwarded in writing on the next working day.
- 4.2 Prior to February 28<sup>th</sup> each year, the permit holder shall submit to Meath County Council, for its approval, maps indicating the location of all lands to be used for land spreading the dewatered residual material. These maps shall also indicate the available acreage and the land owners name and address. In addition, the permit holder shall submit a letter of consent from each landowner indicating their consent to allow the residual material to be spread on their lands.
- 4.3 The permit holder shall ensure that adequate steps are taken to prevent unauthorised entry of wastes to the site.
- 4.4 Any waste placed on or in the vicinity of the site other than in accordance with the requirements of the permit shall be removed by the permit holder immediately such waste is discovered and taken to a facility with a waste licence or waste permit authorising acceptance of such waste.
- 4.5 The permit holder shall not allow any over-spill of waste outside the site perimeter, as outlined on the site plan submitted with the permit application.

REASON: To provide for the acceptance and management of wastes authorised under this waste permit

# CONDITION 5: NUISANCES, EMISSIONS AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

- 5.1 The permit holder shall ensure that the waste activities on the site shall be carried out in such a manner so as not to have an adverse effect on the drainage of adjacent lands, on watercourses, on field drains or on any other drainage system.
- 5.2 The permit holder shall take adequate precautions to prevent undue noise, fumes, dust, grit, untidiness and other nuisances during the course of the works which would result in a significant impairment of or a significant interference with amenities or the environment beyond the site boundary. If unacceptable levels occur, the permit holder shall abide by the County Council's abatement requirements, which may include immediate cessation of operations.
- 5.3 The permit holder shall take adequate steps to ensure that that no material of any sort can fall or be blown from vehicles delivering waste to the site.
- 5.4 No waste shall be burned on the site.
- 5.5 The permit holder shall inspect the site perimeter fortnightly for the presence of litter and shall remove all litter from the site and its environs immediately.



# **CONDITION 6: ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING**

- 6.1 Authorised staff of Meath Council shall have unrestricted access to the site at all reasonable times, on production of identification, for the purpose of their functions under the Waste Management Act, 1996, including such inspections, monitoring and investigations as are deemed necessary by the Council.
- 6.2 If so requested by Meath County Council, the permit holder shall, at his own expense, carry out such further investigations and monitoring of the facility as required by the County Council. The scope, detail and programme, including report structure and reporting schedule, for any such investigations and monitoring shall be in accordance with any written instructions issued by the County Council. In the event of pollution of waters in the vicinity of the site, or of leachate discharge onto adjoining lands, input of waste onto the site shall cease, and remedial measures shall be carried out immediately as directed by the County Council.

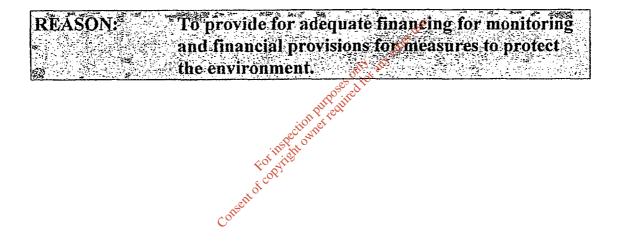
REASON: To ensure compliance with the requirements of the conditions of this waste permit,

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# **CONDITION 7: CHARGES AND FINANCIAL PROVISIONS**

7.1 The permit holder shall pay to Meath County Council a contribution of £500 (Euro 634.87) per annum, or such sum as Meath County Council from time to time determines, towards the costs incurred by Meath County Council of monitoring the activity, to the extent that it considers necessary for the performance of its duties under the Waste Management Act, 1996. This payment which shall be on a pro-rata basis for 2000 shall be paid within two weeks of the date of issue of this permit. In subsequent years, this amount shall be paid on or before January 28<sup>th</sup>. This payment is non-refundable.





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# **B.4** Sanitary Authority

In the case of a discharge of any trade effluent or other matter (other than domestic sewage or storm water) to a sewer of a sanitary authority or other body, give the name of the sanitary authority in which the sewer is vested or by which it is controlled and the waste water treatment plant (if any) to which the sewer discharges.

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Tel:				
Fax:		 		

The applicant must enclose, as Attachment B.4, a copy of any effluent discharge licence and/or agreement between the applicant and the body with responsibility for the sewer.

# **B.5** Other Authorities

The applicant should tick the appropriate box below to identify whether the activity is located within the Shannon Free Airport Development Company (SFADCo.) area.

Within	SFADCo.	Area	Yes [	No	$\mathbf{X}$	

The applicant should indicate the Health Board Region where the activity is or will be located.

Name:	North Eastern Heath Board	
Address:	Kells	
	Co. Meath	
	~ OTS	
Tel:	(046) 9280500	
Fax:	(046) 9241459	

# **B.6** Notices and Advertisements

Articles 6 and 7 of the Waste Management (Licensing) Regulations 2004 requires all applicants to advertise the application in a newspaper and by way of a site notice. See *Guidance Note*.

Attachment B.6 should contain a copy of the site notice and a drawing showing its location on site. The original application must include the complete newspaper in which the advertisement was placed. The relevant page of the newspaper containing the advertisement should be included with the original and three copies of the application.

## Attachment B.6

A copy of the site notice and newspaper advertisement is included in attachment B.6 The location of the site notice at the facility can be seen on the **Site Layout Drawing MDE0202DG0002A04** in Appendix A

# **Organic Gold (Marketing) Ltd**



# SITE NOTICE

# Application to the Environmental Protection Agency for a Waste Licence

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Articles 5 and 6 of the Waste Management (Licensing) Regulations 2004 (S.I. No. 395 of 2004) that Organic Gold (Marketing) Ltd of Wilkinstown, Navan, Co. Meath are applying to the Environmental Protection Agency for a Waste Licence within two weeks of this date in respect of upgrading their existing Composting Facility located in the townland of Wilkinstown, Co. Meath - National Grid Reference as follows: 284, 687E, 277,219N.

Organic Gold (Marketing) Ltd propose to upgrade their existing facility which currently operates under a Waste Permit from Meath County Council and increase the annual intake to 25,000 tonnes per annum for non-hazardous organic waste.

The Classes of Waste Disposal and Recovery Activities, applied for as per the Third and Fourth Schedules of the Waste Management Acts, 1996 to 2008 are as follows:

#### Third Schedule

- Class 11 -Blending or mixture prior to submission to any activity referred to in a preceding paragraph of this Schedule.
- Class 12 -Repackaging prior to submission to any activity referred to in a preceding paragraph of this Schedule.

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 is produced.

# Fourth Schedule

- Class 2 Recycling or reclamation of organic substances which are not used as solvents (including composting and other biological processes).
- Class 4 Recycling or reclamation of other inorganic materials.
- Class 10 The treatment of any waste on land with a consequential benefit for an agricultural activity or ecological system.
- Class 11 -Use of waste obtained from any activity referred to in a preceding paragraph of this Schedule.
- Class 12 -Exchange of waste for submission to any activity referred to in a preceding paragraph of this Schedule.
- 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.

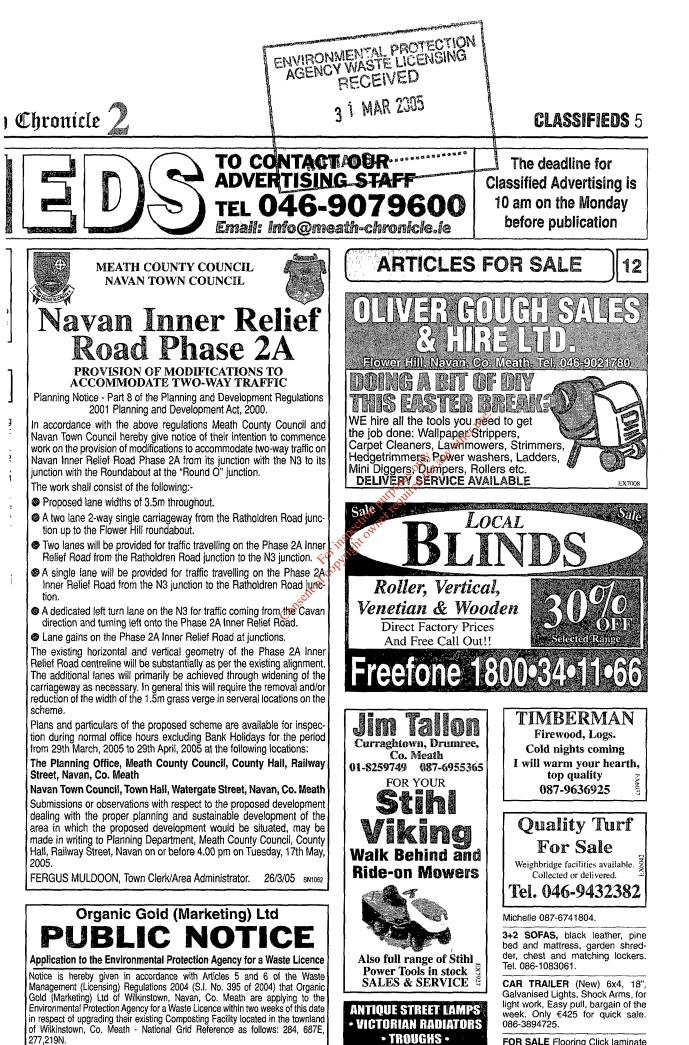
The **Principle Activity** at the site is Class 2 of the Fourth Schedule as detailed above.

The application is accompanied by an Environmental Impact Statement (E.I.S.).

The Waste Licence Application and EIS will be submitted to the Agency within two weeks of the publication of this notice. A copy of the Waste Licence Application and EIS and such further information relating to the application as may be furnished to the Agency in the course of the Agency's consideration of the application will, as soon as is practicable after receipt by the Agency, be available for inspection and purchase, at the Headquarters of the Environmental Protection Agency, Johnstown Castle Estate, Wexford.

# Date: March 21st 2005





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Organic Gold (Marketing) Ltd propose to upgrade their existing facility which cur-



# **B.7** Type of Waste Activity, Tonnages & Fees

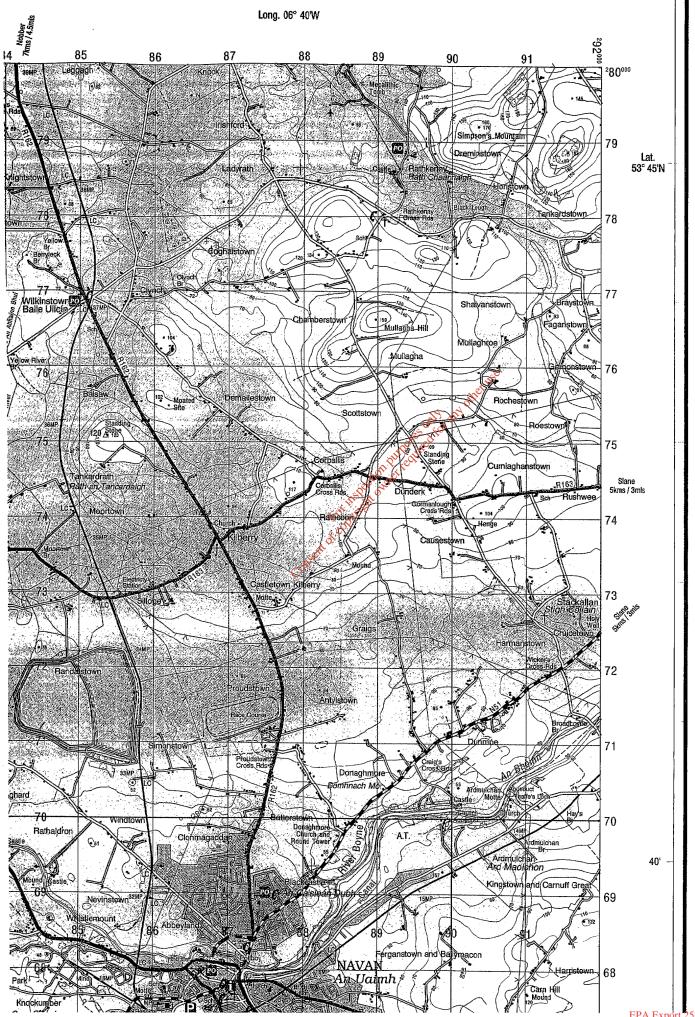
**B.7.1** Specify the class or classes of activity in Table B.7.1, in accordance with the Third Schedule or Fourth Schedule to the Waste Management Acts 1996 to 2003, to which the application relates (check the relevant box(es) and mark the principal activity with a 'P').

Attachment B.7 should identify the principle activity and include a brief technical description of each of the other activities specified. There can only be one principal activity.

TABLE B.7.1 THIRD AND FOURTH SCHEDULES OF THE WASTE MANAGEMENTACTS 1996 TO 2003

Waste Manage	ment	Acts 1996 to 2003	
THIRD SCHEDULE Waste Disposal Activities	Y/N	FOURTH SCHEDULE Waste Recovery Activities	Y/N
1. Deposit on, in or under land (including landfill).	T	1. Solvent reclamation or regeneration.	
2. Land treatment, including biodegradation of liquid or sludge discards in soils.		<ol> <li>Recycling or reclamation of organic substances which are not used as solvents (including composting and other biological processes).</li> </ol>	Р
3. Deep injection of the soil, including injection of pumpable discards into wells, salt domes or naturally occurring repositories.	2,00	3 Recycling or reclamation of metals and metal compounds.	
4. Surface impoundment, including placement of liquid or sludged discards into pits, ponds or lagoons.	OWINET L	4. Recycling or reclamation of other inorganic materials.	Y
5. Specially engineered landfill, including placement into the discrete cells which are capped and isolated from one another and the environment.		5. Regeneration of acids or bases.	
6. Biological treatment not referred to elsewhere in this Schedule which results in final compounds or mixtures which are disposed of by means of any activity referred to in paragraphs 1 to 5 or paragraphs 7 to 10 of this Schedule.		6. Recovery of components used for pollution abatement.	
7. Physico-chemical treatment not referred to elsewhere in this Schedule which results in final compounds or mixtures which are disposed of by means of any activity referred to in paragraphs 1 to 5 or paragraphs 8 to 10 of this Schedule (including evaporation, drying and calcination).		7. Recovery of components from catalysts.	
8. Incineration on land or at sea.		8. Oil re-refining or other re-uses of oil.	
9. Permanent storage, including emplacement of containers in a mine.		9. Use of any waste principally as a fuel or other means to generate energy.	
10. Release of waste into a water body (including a seabed insertion).		10. The treatment of any waste on land with a consequential benefit for an agricultural activity or ecological system.	Y
11. Blending or mixture prior to submission to any activity referred to in a preceding paragraph of this Schedule.	Y	11. Use of waste obtained from any activity referred to in a preceding paragraph of this Schedule.	Y
12. Repackaging prior to submission to any activity referred to in a preceding paragraph of this Schedule.	Y	12. Exchange of waste for submission to any activity referred to in a preceding paragraph of this Schedule.	Y
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 is produced.	Y	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.	Y

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#### Attachment B.7.1

# Fourth Schedule of the Waste Management Act

#### Waste Recovery Activities

**Class 2:** This is the **Principal Activity** on site and consists of the recovery of organic waste from municipal, industrial and commercial sources such as green waste, wood chip, sludge and a mixture of other organics such as brewers grain. The dried slurry will be recovered thorough mixing with peat to produce a commercial soil improver. Dried sludge will be recovered and mixed with other inorganics to produce a high-grade fertiliser. Other organic waste will be recovered through windrow composting producing a compost product.

**Class 4**: This activity would involve the acceptance of soil and subsoil's on site to be mixed with the compost producing an enhanced soil product.

**Class 10:** The use of finished compost as a soil improver with beneficial consequences for land to which it is added in land remediation projects.

**Class 11:** The use of waste obtained from licensed recovery activities.

Class 12: The exchange of wastes for reuse/recycling/recovery at the facility.

**Class 13:** The temporary storage of waste at the facility pending collection for further recycling and recovery

# Third Schedule of the Waste Management Act

Waste Disposal Activities C

**Class 11:** The Blending or mixing of waste prior to disposal.

**Class 12:** Repackaging of wastes prior to disposal.

**Class 13:** The temporary storage of waste at the facility pending collection for disposal.

# TABLE B.7.2 MAXIMUM ANNUAL TONNAGE

The maximum annual tonnage of waste to be handled at the site should be indicated and the year to which the quantity relates indicated.

Maximum Ann	ual Tonnage (tpa)	25,000
Year		2005 onwards



### **B.7.3 FEES**

State each class of activity for which a fee is being submitted as per Part I of the Second Schedule of the Waste Management (Licensing) Regulations 2004, S.I. No. 395 of 2004. Note: two fees are required if disposal and recovery are to occur.

Waste Activity	Fee (in €)
Disposal of Waste (appropriate disposal activity $1.1 - 3.3$ )	Not Applicable
Recovery of Waste	£5000 €6349*

\* As previously confirmed with Tom Mc Loughlin on the 15<sup>th</sup> of June 2004.

### TABLE B.7.4 (FOR A LANDFILL APPLICATION)

STATE WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING IS RELEVANT TO THE CURRENT APPLICATION.

### NOT APPLICABLE

(a) landfill for hazardous waste	¢.)*	
(b) landfill for non-hazardous waste	orthe	
(c) landfill for inert waste	otte	
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**B.8 SEVESO II DIRECTIVE** State whether the activity is for the purposes of an establishment to which the European Communities (Control of Major Ascident Hazards involving Dangerous substances) Regulations, 2000 (S.I. No. 476 of 2000), apply.

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<b>Regulations</b> Apply	Collse	Yes	No 🖂

If yes, Attachment B.8 should include the relevant details. Supporting information, as well as copies of any Hazardous Operation Studies (HAZOP) carried out for the site, should also be included in the attachment.



### SECTION C MANAGEMENT OF THE FACILITY

Advice on completing this section is provided in the *Guidance Note*.

### C.1 Technical Competence and Site Management

This information should form Attachment C 1.

Details of the applicant's experience and qualifications, along with that of other relevant employees, should be summarised as shown below. Statements of duties, responsibilities, experience and qualifications should be submitted for each position named below. Additional information, including the management structure and an organisational chart, should be included in **Attachment C 1**.

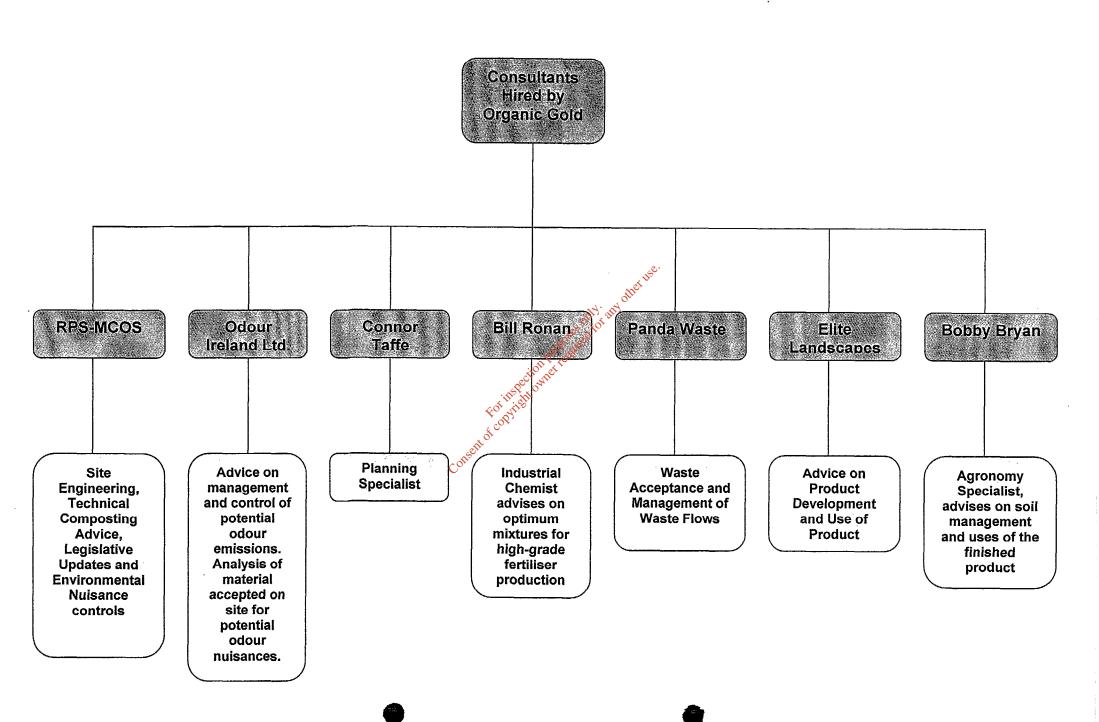
### Attachment C 1 Site Management and Personnel within Organic Gold (Marketing) Ltd.

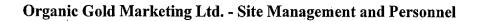
Name	Position	Duties and Responsibilities	<b>Experience/Qualifications</b>
John Finnegan	Director	Overall management of site	45 years experience in composting organic waste
Tom Finnegan	Director	Overall management of site	15 years experience in composting organic waste
Jim Finnegan	Director	Site Operation Manager	15 years experience in composting organic waste
Vincent Phelan	Financial Controller	Finance, Project Management and Product Development	10 years experience in R&D, Project Management and Product Development
Tony Finnegan	Operations Manger	Overall management and supervision of site operations	15 years experience in composting organic waste
Frank Burges	Facility Operator	Transport/ Operations and Plant Maintenance	2 years experience
Paddy Phelan	Facility Operator	Recovery Operations at the Composting Slab	2 years experience
Conor Walshe	Facility Operator	Retail product Manufacturing	1.5 years experience

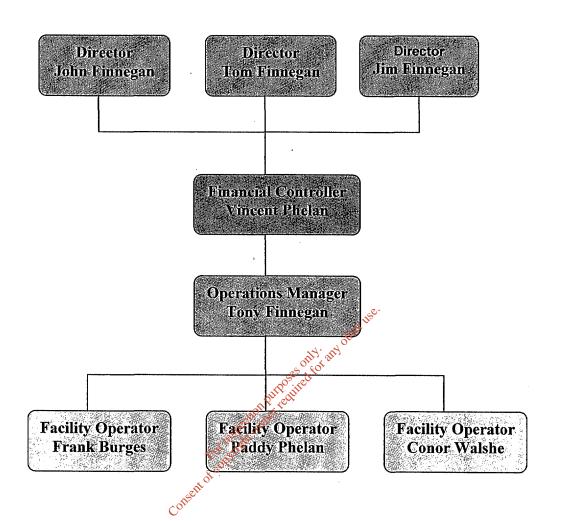
Organic Gold are proposing to hire an additional technical member of staff who would have responsibility for ensuring that the facility is operated in such a way that is does not impact on residents in the area or on the environment, who would be responsible for health and safety at the site and who would also liaise with residents in the community on behalf of Organic Gold.

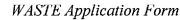
A flow chart of the management structure for the OGF and the technical support available to them can be seen overleaf. Also attached is a list of consultants hired by Organic Gold who will be available to assist Organic Gold in the operation of the facility.

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### C.2 Environmental Management System

Attachment C 2 should contain the Environmental Management System (EMS) details required.

### Attachment C 2

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An Environmental Management System encompassing the whole facility will be made available to EPA within 6 months of granting of the waste licence. This will be based on the series of measures outlined in the EIS relating to facility operation and mitigation of potential environmental impacts including dust, noise, odour, bioaerosols and emissions to surface water and groundwater.

### C.3 Hours of Operation

Attachment C 3 should contain details of hours of operation for the waste facility, civic waste facilities and other facilities.

- (b) Proposed hours of operation.
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- (d) Any other relevant hours of operation expected.

### Attachment C 3

### **Hours of Operation**

The facility will operate from 07.00 to 20.00 Monday to Friday and from 07.00 to 14.00 on Saturdays.

### Hours of Waste Acceptance / Handling.

The facility will accept and handle waste from 08.00 to 19.00 Monday to Friday and from 08.00 to 13.00 on Saturdays.

### C.4 Conditioning Plan

Address as Attachment C 4, in the case of a LANDFILL Application, and only for the review of a Landfill Waste Licence.

### Attachment C.4

A conditioning plan outlines proposed measures to constantly upgrade existing operations and to improve on environmental performance and will comprise the following elements which will be achieved at the site within the timeframe outlined below from once the facility beings operation under the EPA Waste Licence.



### Short term Improvements (0-3 months):

- All waste will undergo rapid decomposition in forced aerated in in-vessel composting units for 2 weeks. The sanitised product will then be removed form the units and be allowed to mature in outdoor windrows to ensure a high quality compost product is produced.
- All waste will be deposited and mixed in a waste reception building. No
  waste handling will take place outdoors.
- Five foot (1.5 metre approx.) palisade fencing will be erected once planning permission is granted and will reduce air velocity, and decrease dispersion of odour from the site. This fencing has been bought and is currently housed at the site. The fencing along with the boundary and natural screening of tree saplings around the composting slab will reduce any potential impacts of odour and dust from being carried from the site and impacting on neighbours in the area.
- The misting system installed on site will be maintained and monitored to mitigate against potential odours being emitted at the site.
- Regular monitoring of site emissions such as dust, noise, odours and compost quality will take place during the operation of the site. Monitoring results will allow the site management to see how effective some abatement measures implemented on site have been and to see if further abatement measures are necessary.
- An odour specialist, Brian Sheridan from Odour Ireland has been hired by the facility to assist with technical advice as to the type of material that can be composted with out the risk of significant odour formation. For example, it was established that Gypsum previously accepted on site contained calcium sulphate which was causing the formation of Hydrogen Sulphide to be emitted from the process. Gypsum will no longer be accepted for composting at the site for this reason.
- A system of recording complaints regarding emissions at the facility will be employed. All complaints will be investigated and the complainant informed of the reason for the emission and actions taken to mitigate such an emission.
- Improved sign posting of the facility will take place and will include:
  - An EPA sign post erected at the site entrance showing details such as the facility name, facility operating hours and an emergency contact name and phone number.
  - Traffic signs detailing the one-way traffic system will be in place on site. This one-way system will help to improve traffic safety on site.
  - Signs will also be installed directing waste carriers to the weighbridge and waste inspection area where all waste loads arriving on site will be weighed and inspected.
- Fire hydrants will be installed near the car parking area at the corner of the office building and one in the composting slab area to protect against any potential fires on site.
- A wheel wash will be put in place near the entrance to the composting slab to wash any dirty vehicles on exiting the site and preventing debris from being carried out onto access road.
- Fuel storage tank C within the storage shed will be bunded.



• Strict waste acceptance procedures will be adhered to at the site. Potentially odorous waste will be avoided at all times.

### Medium Term Improvements (3-6 months)

- An Environmental Management System outlining written standard operating procedures for the site will be introduced at the facility. These would include recording of waste arriving on site, waste inspection documentation, waste quarantine details and the recording of all compost being moved of site for further use. Written operating procedures will be adhered to at all times.
- To ensure good operating procedures site operators will be made aware of the operating procedures within the Environmental Management System (EMS).
- A full time member of staff will attend a first aid course and be responsible for maintaining a first aid box in the office.
- Dust Suppression on the access road will be augmented by applying a fine spray using a water spray bar when required in dry weather.
- Security:
  - A security barrier will be erected in front of the office, where vehicles enter the facility and before approaching the weighbridge. A sign will also be in place to tell vehicle drivers to report to site office before being allowed on to the weighbridge.
  - A security barrier will also be erected from the southeast corner of the car park across the site entrance to ensure a one way traffic system is adhered to for the site and to allow exiting traffic from the site to exit through upon approval of the site office.
  - Another palisade gate will be erected across the entrance to the composting slab providing additional security for the site and its operations. A sign will be erected before approaching this security gate advising that they will now be approaching a waste inspection area.

### Long Term Improvements (6-12 months)

- The site entrance will be improved allowing for double lane entrance with traffic speed kept to a maximum of 20 km hour to ensure safety on site and to keep dust and noise emissions to a minimum.
- The entire access route will be progressively upgraded with improved surfacing and surface water management.
- Organic Gold are proposing to hire an additional technical member of staff who would have responsibility for ensuring that the facility is operated in such a way that is does not impact on residents in the area or on the environment, who would be responsible for health and safety at the site and who would also liaise with residents in the community on behalf of Organic Gold.

### SECTION D INFRASTRUCTURE & OPERATION

### **D.1** Infrastructure

Complete the following table detailing the site infrastructure. Attachment D 1 should contain the appropriate documentation. Information provided should follow the sequence, and use the headings, established in Table D.1. Additional advice on completing this section is provided in the application *Guidance Note*.

Table	D.1. Infrastructure	y/n	Comments
<b>D.1.a</b>	Site security arrangements including gates and fencing	Y	See attachment D.1.a
<b>D.1.</b> b	Designs for site roads	Y	See attachment D.1.b
<b>D.1.c</b>	Design of hardstanding areas	Y	See attachment D.1.c
D.1.d	Plant other use	Y	See attachment D.1.d
<b>D.1.e</b>	Wheel-wash	Y	See attachment D.1.e
<b>D.1.f</b>	Laboratory facilities	Y	See attachment D.1.f
<b>D.1.g</b>	Design and location of fuel storage areas	Y	See attachment D.1.g
<b>D.1.h</b>	Waste quarantine areas	Y	See attachment D.1.h
D.1.i	Waste inspection areas	Y	See attachment D.1.i
D.1.j	Traffic control	Y	See attachment D.1.j
<b>D.1.</b> k	Sewerage and surface water drainage infrastructure	Y	See attachment D.1.k
D.1.J	All other services	Y	See attachment D.1.1
D.1.n	Plant sheds, garages and equipment compound	Y	See attachment D.1.m
<b>D.1.n</b>	Site accommodation	Y	See attachment D.1.n
<b>D.1.</b> 0	A fire control system, including water supply	Y	See attachment

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D.1.p	Civic amenity facilities	N	Not Applicable
D.1.q	Any other waste recovery infrastructure	Y	See attachment D.1.q
D.1.r	Composting infrastructure	Y	See attachment D.1.r
D.1.s	Construction and Demolition waste infrastructure	N	Not Applicable
D.1.t	Incineration infrastructure (if applicable). Provide information to fulfil Article 4 (2) & (3) of the Incineration of Waste Directive	N	Not Applicable
D.1.u	Any other infrastructure	Y	See attachment D.1.u

### **Attachment D.1.a Facility Security Arrangements**

There is a combination of security arrangements currently in operation at the OGF and additional arrangements planned for the thete are described below. nty any

Perimeter Security There is a security gate at the entrance to the facility which is closed and locked when the site is not in operation. The site entrance and the eastern boundary of the facility is surrounded by four foot high wooden fencing. There is a natural boundary of mature hedgerow plants running along the entire southern boundary of the site. There is also some wooden fencing four foot high along the inside of the pathway towards the composting slab from the main fertiliser production building. To the north of the fertiliser production building the site perimeter is also made up of mature hedgerow plants.

The entire composting slab is enclosed in a five foot (c. 1.2metre) concrete wall. Surrounding the concrete wall is an embankment close to the height of the wall where a natural boundary of tree and shrub saplings have been recently planted. This work was completed on the 19th of March 2004. There is also a three foot (0.9 metre) 50/50 Agroclad windbreak mesh on top of the perimeter wall, which reduces wind speed and increases the efficiency of the misting system.

Five foot (1.2 metre) palisade fence will also be erected along the perimeter of the slab once planning permission has been granted which will act as a security perimeter fence. The palisade fencing has been on site since February 2004 awaiting permission to be erected at the site.

### **Building and Office Security**

The fertiliser production building and the site offices are locked up at the end of each working day to protect buildings from vandalism and robbery during

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non-working hours. All vehicles approaching the building are asked to report to the site office before entering the site. All waste delivery vehicles are weighed on the weighbridge before approaching the composting slab where waste inspection takes place. Records are kept of all waste deliveries including details of the type of waste, name of waste contractor and driver, waste collection permit details and vehicle registration details.

### **Future Security Improvements**

Refer to Attachment I.2 for medium term improvements in security arrangements at the OGF.

### Attachment D.1.b Designs for Facility Roads

The existing site entrance is approximately 6 metres wide and 120 metres in length and consists of a gravel surface coating. This site entrance will be widened to allow for double lane traffic according to a recommendation in the EIS. The proposed site entrance will be 133m long and 7.3 metres wide and will meet the DMRB standards. It is proposed that new site entrance will have an asphalt surface. Refer to Volume 1 Section 6 of the EIS for more detailed information.

The access areas around the fertiliser production building and the lane way approaching the composting slab consist of a gravel coating. The composting slab is entirely concreted. All access areas with the site boundary will be gradually upgraded within 12 months of operating under an EPA licence.

### Attachment D.1.c Design of Hard Standing Areas

The composting slab consists entirely of a concreted area where waste will be tipped, sorted and processed at the site. On this slab are also tanks for the storage of leachate. The slab is made out of fibremesh reinforced concrete (1/200).

### **Attachment D.1.d Plant Equipment**

The main types of plant equipment used at the site are described below.

### **Composting of Organic Waste at The Compost Slab**

- Wasteology In-Vessel Units (x8) holding 180 tonnes of organic waste. Each unit is 8 metres wide, 15 metres long and 2.5 metres high to the walls.
- Backhus 15.5 Compost Turner Purpose built self-propelled compost turning machine.
- Woiberforce Shredder for shredding green waste and wood waste.
- JCB Farmaster 416 S, Mechanical loading shovel with air-conditioned cab.
- Idrotech Odour Control Fogging System, erected along the compost slab perimeter with spray nozzles at 1.5 metre intervals. It is controlled by a wind directional change using a plc-controlled system.
- 2 Ruscon Trailer's 14 tonne tipping trailer with roll over cover

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- Fliegl trailer can hold 40 m<sup>3</sup> of material and is a push of trailer. Special mechanism to prevent spillages of material.
- John Deere 7810 Tractor with air brake system and air conditioning.
- Jet Wash 3000 3000psi Three Phase Power Washer

### Processing of Organic Gold Retail Fertiliser

- Michigan 35B Mechanical Loading Shovel
- John Deere 3200 Teleporter Loading Shovel
- Kidd Muck Spreader Agricultural muck spreader (rear flails) converted for compost turning
- John Deere 2130 Tractor for pulling the spreader.
- Hyster Forklift

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- Grade all Grader grader for screening compost
- Big track hopper and elevator Compost blending hopper and elevator to bagging plant

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- Aircosse Compressor Air compressor for bag flushing
- Walthamatic Bagging plant for bagging compost
- Saxon Heat Sealer compost bag heat sealer
- Pac 1500 Wrapper pallet wrapping machine
- Berkel Indicat BE Berkel digital scales (100kg's)

### High Grade Fertiliser Production

- Big track hopper 4 tonne blending hopper.
- Elevator- Elevator to blending unit.
- Volvo blender 8 tonne blending bottle (batch type)
- Elevator Bucket elevator to grading system
- Grader screen Vibrating screen / grader
- Storage bin 8 tonne storage bin
- Saxon bagging unit 10-50 Kg bagging unit with heat sealer
- Glenmill Aspiration Unit purpose built aspiration unit with air extraction filter system
- Aircosse compressor Air compressor for bag flushing
- 50 KVA Generator for back up purposes.

### Attachment D.1.e Wheel wash (and Dust Suppression)

There is a Jet Wash 3000 – 3000psi Three Phase Power Washer in use at the site presently. This is for cleaning vehicles before they leave the site. In the future a wheel wash will be put in place near the entrance to the composting slab to wash any dirty vehicles on exiting the site and preventing debris from being carried out onto access road. All wheel washings will be diverted to the yard run off waters and stored in the underground leachate tanks until it is spread back on the windrows.

Organic Gold also propose to employ a tractor drawn water-tank with a wide spray-bar (c. 4m span) that can be used to dampen access road in dry periods thereby minimising dust. (Refer to conditioning Plan Attachment C.4)

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### **Attachment D.1.f Laboratory Facilities**

There is no dedicated laboratory facility on the site. However, Organic Gold utilise a temperature probe and pH meter for monitoring the composting process on site. The OGF also use a range of Environmental Consultants and laboratories for compost quality testing and environmental monitoring, refer to Attachment C1 for list of consultants hired by Organic Gold.

### Attachment D.1.G Design and location of fuel storage areas

There are three fuel storage tanks on site. The location of the tanks can be seen on the **Site Layout Drawing DG002A04**. Tank A holds 1,000 litres of heating oil and is located in a bunded area at the west side of the office. Tank B and C are located in the bagging area and the storage shed and both hold 1,200 litres of diesel. Fuel tank C is not bunded at the present. However it is proposed that this will be bunded in the future.

### **D.1.h** Waste Quarantine Areas

The location of the waste quarantine area can be seen on the attached **Floor Plan Drawing OG304**. Waste that has undergone inspection upon arriving at the site and found to be unsuitable to be recovered will be placed in the waste quarantine area. The quarantine area will be 5 metres long, 5 metres wide and 1.5 metres high and will consist of a pre-cast concrete, moveable bay.

### **D.1.i Waste Inspection Areas**

The waste inspection area can be seen on the attached Floor Plan Drawing OG304. All waste arriving at the site will be weighed at the weighbridge before undergoing a thorough inspection by Organic Gold in the waste inspection area. The waste inspection bay will be 5 metres long and 3 metres wide. Additional bays are available for waste inspection if required. All non-compliant waste will be moved to the waste quarantine area. The waste inspection area and quarantine area will be well sign posted and separated from each other. A sign will also be in place directing drivers to the waste inspection area.

### **D.1.j Traffic Control**

The site entrance will be upgraded and widened to 7.3 metres wide to allow for double lane traffic as can be seen on **Drawing DG002A04**. Refer to Volume 1, Section 6 of the EIS for more information. All traffic approaching the facility will be directed to the site office where they will then be weighed upon approaching the weighbridge. All traffic will then exit the site via the weighbridge near the site office.

In future development proposals for the site, traffic will follow signs to show the way to the fertiliser production building or the waste inspection area and the composting slab etc., as outlined on **Drawing DG002A04** Appendix A.

### **D.1.K Sewerage and Drainage Infrastructure**

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### Sewerage Infrastructure

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There is one discharge point of foul water at the facility. The foul water is discharged through a 4 inch (100mm) wavin pipe running from the office building, toilets and sinks and is directed to a septic tank approximately 40 metres south east of the office building, refer to Drawing DG003A02 Appendix A Discharge from the septic tank passes through the percolation area as shown. The tank is as a standard domestic precast tank and was upgraded in 2003 at the site when the percolation area was also installed.

### Drainage Infrastructure - Surface Water Drainage

Surface water flows on site are described below for the:

- a) Composting slab;
- b) Area around the buildings;
- c) And the paddock area.

### (a) Composting Slab

The fall of the concrete slab is in a southerly direction, where surface water run-off, during periods of heavy rainfall, flows towards a gully at the entrance to the paved concerted area, which is impermeable.

Surface water run-off flows from the gully and is collected and stored in two tanks one with a capacity of 6,800 litres (tank A), the other with a capacity of 16,000 litres (tank B). The run off then flows under gravity from tank A to B. The runoff is then pumped periodically into the large above ground storage Tank C with a capacity of 945,000 litres. At present there is a ground level connection for removing water from tank C. However this will be replaced by an new over-ground filling point by either an umbilical pipe or by a connection to a slurry spreader which will recirculate the water into the windrows maturation area where it will maintain optimum moisture levels for the composting process.

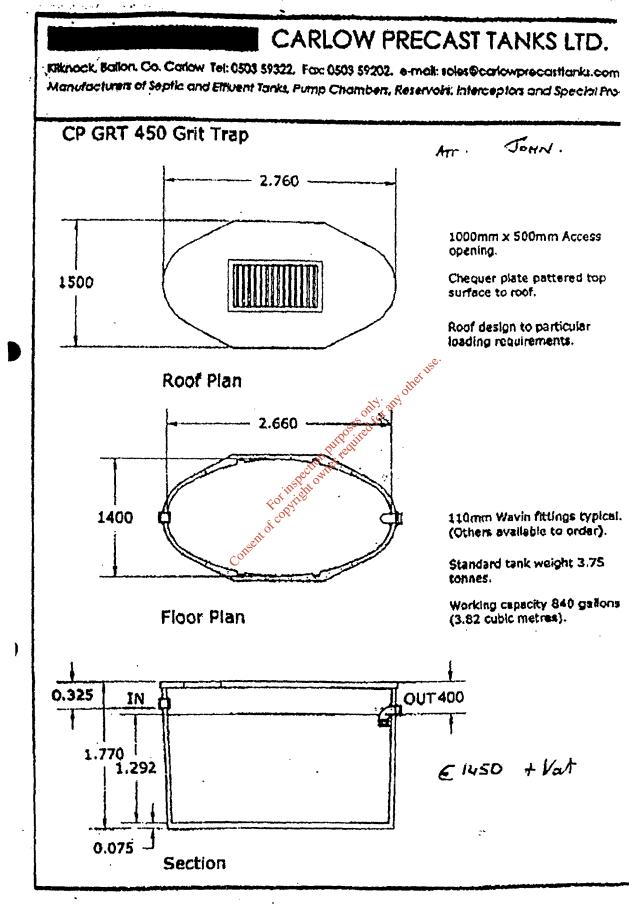
Leachate that is produced in the in-vessel composting units will be directed to the gully from where it will also be stored in the underground storage tanks. From here it will be removed and reused in the maturing windrows or mixed with incoming waste before treatment. More detail on the tanks can be found in **Attachment D1K.** In reality, it is expected that there will be no net production of leachate at the site due to recirculation of the leachate, which is common at composting facilities.

### (b) Area Around and Including the Site Buildings

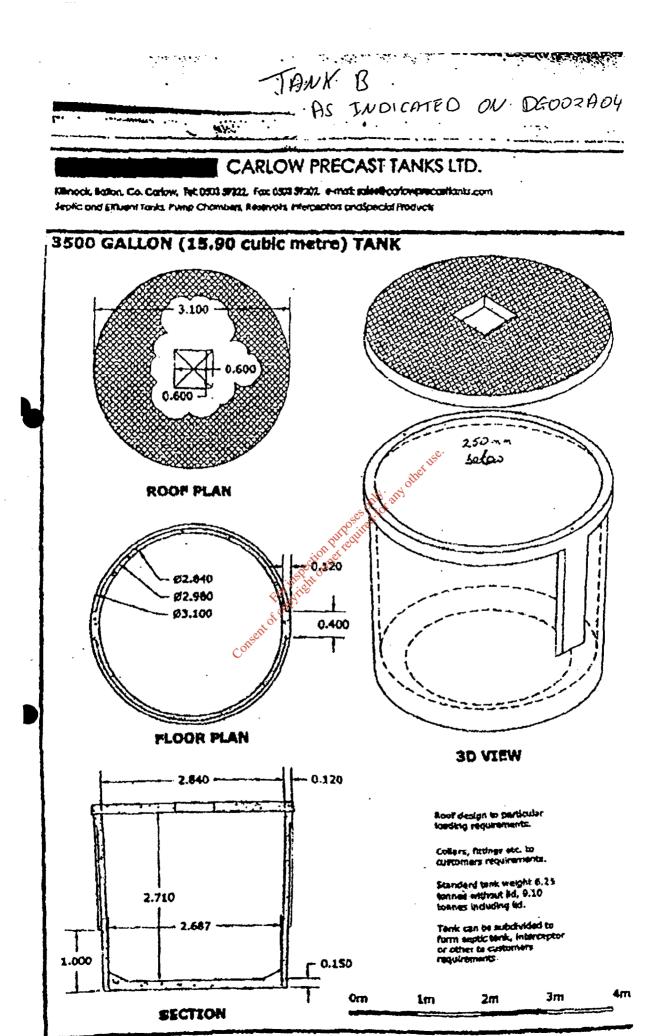
Surface water collected from the fertiliser production building and its surrounds flows via a 220mm concrete pipe which runs from the corner of the main building via an underground pipe 4 inches below the concrete surface into an open ditch along the site boundary on the R162 road. There is natural infiltration of surface water from the site in the area around the buildings.

### (c) Paddock Area

Clean surface water flow in the paddock area undergoes natural infiltration into the ground.



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### **D.1.1 All Other Services**

All services at the site such as ESB, surface water and foul water flows, fire hydrants etc available at the site can be seen on **Drawing DG003A02 Appendix A**.

### **Electrical Services**

The site is served with electrical services at present. Electrical supply runs from a 3-phase transformer in the composting slab with one line travelling south west along the perimeter of the slab via an over head line until it reaches the southern point of the slab from where the second line runs via an underground line for approximately 35 metres, where it then travels via an overhead line west along the slab perimeter out into an neighbours field. At the southern point in the slab the third line runs along the pathway until it reaches a powerhouse near the fertiliser building where it provides electricity for the building.

### Fire Hydrants

Fire hydrants will be installed near the car parking area at the corner of the office building and one in the composting slab area to protect against any potential fires on site. Four-inch Class II water mains will run from the site entrance and supply the fire hydrants proposed for use on site. Organic Gold has paid for this supply and is awaiting connection from the County Council.

### D.1.m Plant Shed, Garages and Equipment Compound

All of the above infrastructure can be seen on **Drawing DG002A04** Appendix A and further information is supplied below.

### Waste Reception Building

Refer to attached elevation and Floor plan drawings OG303 and OG304 respectively. For more information refer to Volume 1, Section 5.3.1 of the EIS.

### **Fertiliser Production Building**

This building contains all equipment for processing and bagging the highgrade fertiliser and retail compost product. The plant contained in the bagging area consists of a hopper, mixing machine (roadstone truck), bagging unit and an aspirator. In the retail compost area only a mixer is used to mix the base product with peat to produce a soil improver and/or soil fertiliser. There is a two metre reinforced concrete wall between these two areas within the fertiliser production building.

### **Storage Shed**

There is a plant storage shed on the eastern side of the fertiliser production building, which houses fuel storage tank C and other equipment and materials used on site.

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### Vehicle Storage Area

There is a vehicle storage area also on site. Presently this is not clearly marked out but there are proposals to fence around this area to fence it off better from the remainder of the site.

### **D.1.n Site Accommodation**

Site accommodation comprises a designated site office located to the front of the fertiliser production shed, an entrance lobby to the office and staff toilet and washing facilities. Car parking spaces are also available outside the office area for visitors and staff. Refer to **Drawing DG002A04 Appendix A**.

### **D.1.0 Fire Control**

For information on fire hydrants to be used as a fire safety control at the site, refer to **Section D.1.I** and **Drawing DG003A02 Appendix A.** 

### **D.1.q Any Other Waste Recovery Infrastructure**

All waste recovery infrastructures at the site has been explained in the sections above.

### **D.1.r Composting Infrastructure**

Refer to Volume 1, Sections 5.3.2 and 5.5.1 of the EIS and the 'Wasteology' Company Brochure which includes a CD, attached in Attachment D.1.r for information on the Wasteology In-Vessel Composing system proposed and the maturation area.

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A proven, cost-effective, modular and flexible in-vessel composting system that conforms to the DEFRA rules relating to the handling of bio-degradeable waste



### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### THE IN-VESSEL COMPOSTING PROCESS

A number of factors are important in controlling the composting process and the time that the process takes. These factors include temperature, moisture, oxygen, particle size, the carbon-to-nitrogen ratio of the waste and the degree of mixing or turning involved. In general, the more actively these factors are controlled, the faster the process.

### 1. Is the Wasteology system ABPR compliant?

Yes. Our Wasteology in-vessel system was designed from the start to meet current UK and EU rules. Operational procedures have to be strictly carried out and maintained.

### 2. Has the Wasteology system achieved the ABPR licence?

To date our clients have achieved 100% record in obtaining the necessary validation, under UK Regulations and using the two system. Please note proper procedures have to be put maintained to satisfy SVS regulations. We are g the services of our independent consulta

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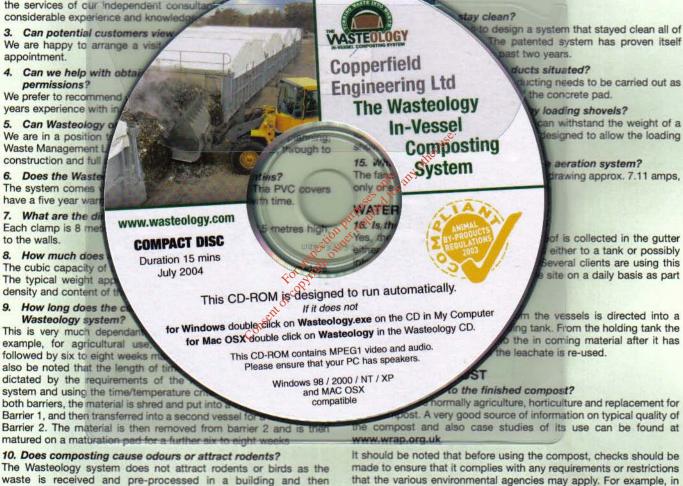
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9. Wasteology system? management facility, including a composting site, has the potential to generate offensive odours usually due to the feedstock or inadequate aeration or excessive moisture. Close monitoring of these factors can usually help to minimize odours. Facilities can employ abatement systems, such as bio-filters, to treat occasional odours. Trials have been carried out where the oxygen levels have been monitored within the clamps in at least three different points around the clamp, all at the waste surface. This was carried out in both barriers and averaged 16%, more than sufficient for the biological process. This results in temperatures of 65 to 70°C being achieved in both barriers.

### 11. Can I compost in the winter?

Yes. We have not had any problems with Wasteology in-vessel system. Providing the waste composition is correct then the micrological system will produce temperatures in excess of 60°C as by the ABPR.



waste is received and pre-processed in a building and then composted for approximately two weeks in fully enclosed clamps. It should be noted that under the ABPR rodents and birds must be excluded from the waste and site. The SVS and Trading Standard Officers regularly inspect sites to ensure this occurs. Any waste Scotland compost can be used unrestrictedly providing it passes PAS 100 or similar specifications. When using the compost any restrictions or conditions required by law, such as the ABPR, have to be adhered to.

### May we now invite you to load the CD and see the Wasteology® System in action.



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### **CLEAN AIR - Odour Neutralizer**

The natural way to neutralize foul odours

Clean Air is a blend of natural oils, which are solubilized, in an aqueous solution. These oils have the ability to clean and disinfect and neutralize offensive odours. The mechanism through which it happens is quite complex however the molecules of the natural oils seem to be electrostatically attracted to the molecules causing the offensive odour and a process of feutralization occurs. Clean Air is not a masking agent.

### Applications

- owner required for Sewage Treatment Work
- Pumping Stations
- Fish Processing Industry
- Meat Rendering and Processing
- Miscellaneous Industries and applications where odour is a problem.

### **HEALTH & SAFETY**

Clean air contains no synthetic chemicals or volatile organic compound. It has no adverse effect on animal life or vegetation and is perfectly safe to spray into the atmosphere.

**Diluted Rates:** Apply at concentrations 1: 100 to 1: 200 using atomisation equipment.

For further information on how to control odour problems contact: North Chemicals Ltd, Unit 6C Malahide Rd, Industrial Park Coolock, Dublin 17. Tel: 8770997 Fax: 8770996 E-Mail: northchemicals@02.ie



### **D.1.u Any Other Infrastructure**

 Mist Air System – Refer to Volume 1 Section 5.3.5 of the EIS for details. Also refer to Attachment D.1.u overleaf for technical specifications on the Mist Air System and information on the Clean Air – Odour Neutraliser

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• Weighbridge – Refer to Volume 1 Section 5.3.5 of the EIS for details.

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### Technical Features: Misting System

1 No: 3 phase self contained module complete with pump motor; chemical injection with 1 let filtration; low level protection, motor protection; lack of water protection- 4 , selections;

This unit will be fitted in a Plant Room and connected to the bulk tank water through a pump. Connected to the module with two out-lets will be a stainless steel fogging lines. and Adaptors spaced at 2,000mm intervals

- Aluminium support structure with painted steel panels
- Bertolini pump with 3 ceramic pistons and brass head
- Electric motor 1450 R.P.M 50Hz; S1
- Adjustable flow/pressure valve
- Safety release valve
- Pressure gauge-glycerine filled
- Solenoid valve 24V: 50Hz water inlet
- Solenoid valve 24V. 50Hz unload High Pressure Line
- Pressure switch for lack of water.
- Electric board; electric transformer 380/220/24V; General ON/OFF switch

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- Thermal overload switch; start/reset:
- Warning indicator for motor protection; lack of water ;voltage; pump.
- Ready to be controlled by an external thermostat:

Each fogging line will be fixed to the fencing at the boundary wall. The installation v commissioned by. This equipment comes with a full 12 months Warranty Parts and Labou first class on site after-sales service.

Technical Features: Automatic Wind Directional Change Over System

The system comes complete with Directional Mast, which operates through an elect control panel, controlling 4 no. 24 wit solenoid valves - connected to each of the 4 Z This is also connected to an Automatic Flow Control System ensuring a finely atomized barrier at all times. Any odours leaving their source become neutralised before leaving the boundary.



### D.2 Facility Operation

In Attachment D 2 describe the plant, methods, processes and operations of the waste facility, as required by the *Guidance Note*.

Attachment included yes 🛛 no	o not applicable

### Attachment D 2

Waste Activities, Processes, Methods and Operations are explained in detail in **Volume 1, Section 5 of the EIS.** 

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### SECTION E EMISSIONS

Give particulars of the source, location, nature, composition, quantity, level and rate of emissions arising from the activity and, where relevant, the period or periods during which such emissions are made or are to be made.

The applicant should address in particular any emission point where the substances listed in the Schedule of S.I. 394 of 2004 are emitted.

### E.1 Emissions to Atmosphere

Details of all point emissions to atmosphere should be supplied. Table E.1.(i) (for Landfill Gas Flare emissions) must be completed for all landfills with a flare. Complete Table E.1(ii) and E.1(iii) for all other main emission points, including stack sources (incinerator stacks, landfill gas utilisation plants, air handling unit emissions etc.). Complete Table E.1(iv) for minor/fugitive/ground emission points.

### **E.1 Emissions to Atmosphere**

There are no point emission sources with the activity. Refer to Volume 1, Section 10 and Volume 2, Appendix 5 and 6 of the EIS for information on odour, dust and bioaerosols emissions at the site 8 only

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### E.2 Emissions to Surface Waters

Attachment E.2 Tables E.2(i) and E.2(ii) should be completed where relevant.

### E.2 Emissions to Surface Waters

There will be no emissions to surface water at the proposed site. All surface water run-off from the composting slab is collected and recirculated back into the windrows to maintain moisture. Refer to Volume 1, Section 8 of the EIS for information on surface water collection and Attachment D.1.K.

### E.3 Emissions to Sewer

Attachment E.3 Tables E.3(i) and E.3(ii) should be completed, where relevant.

### Attachment E.3

Refer to Attachment D.1.K for information on emissions to sewer.

### E.4 Emissions to Groundwater

Describe the existing or proposed arrangements necessary to give effect to Articles 3,4,5,6, and 7 of Council Directive 80/68/EEC of 17 December 1979 on the protection of groundwater against pollution by certain dangerous substances.

Table E.4(i) should be completed, as relevant, for each source. Supporting information should form Attachment E.4

### Attachment E.4

There will be no emissions to groundwater. Refer to Volume 1, Section 7 of the EIS for information on Groundwater and mitigation measures for protection of groundwater.

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### E.5 Noise Emissions

Give particulars of the source, location, nature, level, and the period or periods during which the noise emissions are made or are to be made.

Table E.5(i) should be completed, as relevant, for each source.

Supporting information should form Attachment E.5

### **Attachment E.5**

Refer to Volume 1, Section 11 of the EIS for information on Noise emissions and mitigation measures proposed.

### E.6 Environmental Nuisances

Attachment E.6 should contain the appropriate documentation. Information provided should follow the sequence, and use the headings as relevant established in Table D.6. Additional advice on completing this section is provided in the Guidance Note.

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Bird Control	Control method specified	yes 🖂	no	not applicable
	Attachment included	yes 🖂	no	not applicable
Dust Control	Control method	yes 🗌	no	not applicable
	Attachment included	yes 🖂	no	not applicable
Fire Control	Control method specified	yes 🖂	no	not applicable
	Attachment included	yes 🖂	no	not applicable
Litter Control	Control method specified	yes 🖂	no	not applicable
	Attachment included	yes 🖂	no	not applicable
Traffic Control	Control method specified	yes 🖂	no	not applicable
	Attachment included	yes 🖂	no	not applicable
Vermin Control	Control method specified	yes 🖂	no	not applicable
	Attachment included	yes 🖂	no	not applicable
Road Cleansing	Control method specified	yes 🖂	no	not applicable
	Attachment included	yes 🖂	no	not applicable

### TABLE E.6 Environmental Nuisances

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### Attachment E.6 Road Cleansing

Waste delivery trucks are expected to be clean and not cause any significant nuisance to the cleanliness of roads during transportation. The tipping area where vehicles will deposit waste is a concreted area in the waste reception building and will be kept clean at all times. If required, washing down of vehicles, on entering and exiting the premises, will be carried out with a powerhose, which will be located adjacent to the tipping area, to prevent mud from being carried out on to access roads. In addition a water-spray will be applied to the site access road if required during dry weather to augment dust suppression – to be carried out using a tractor drawn water-tank with wide spray-bar attached.

For information on other environmental nuisance controls listed in Table E.6 above refer to **Volume 1, Section 13.7 of the EIS** 

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### SECTION F CONTROL & MONITORING

### F.1: Treatment, Abatement and Control Systems

Describe the proposed technology and other techniques for preventing or, where this is not possible, reducing emissions from the installation/facility. Details of treatment/abatement systems (air and effluent emissions) should be included, together with schematics as appropriate.

For each Emission Point identified complete Table F.1 of the Annex, and include detailed descriptions and schematics of all abatement systems.

Attachment F.1 should contain any supporting information.

### Attachment F.1

### **Techniques/Installations for Reducing Odour**

- In-Vessel Composting Units
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- Mist Air System .
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Screening around the composting slabses of the any other use Wind break mesh 50:50 agroclad month include the property in the second state of the Refer to Volume 1, Section 10.3 of the EIS for more detailed information on proposals to reduce odour at the site.

### **Techniques/Installations for Reducing Dust**

Refer to Volume 1, Section 10.4 of the EIS for more detailed information on proposals to reduce Dust at the site.

### **Techniques/Installations for Reducing Bioaerosols**

Refer to Volume 1, Section 10.5 of the EIS for more detailed information on proposals to reduce Bioaerosols at the site.

### Techniques/ Installations to Reduce Emissions to Ground Water and Surface Water

Refer to Volume 1, Section 7 and Section 8 of the EIS for more detailed information on proposals to reduce Emissions to Ground Water at the site. Information is also contained in Attachment D.1.K.



### F.2-F.9. Monitoring and Sampling Points

Programmes for environmental monitoring should be submitted as part of the application. These programmes should be provided as Attachments F.2 to F.6 and meet the advice published by the Agency in the relevant BAT Note. For Landfills the additional Attachments F.7 to F.8 should be completed. Furthermore for a landfill application the applicant <u>must</u> refer to the Agency *Landfill Monitoring Manual (2003)* for further details on monitoring requirements for proposed facilities.

Include details of monitoring/sampling locations and methods.

### F.2 Air

### - to include Dust, Odour

Monitoring Arrangements specified	yes 🖂	no	not applicable
Monitoring points identified, (plus	yes 🖂	no	not applicable
12-figure grid references)			
Attachment included	yes 🖂	no	not applicable

### Attachment F.2

The monitoring programme for dust, PM10 and bioaerosols at the proposed facility is outlined in the table below.

Parameters	Monitoring & K	Monitoring Frequency	Analytical Methods
Dust (mg/m²/day)	DG1, DG2 <mark>, DG3</mark> , DG4	Three times annually	Standard Method - VDI2119
PM <sub>10</sub> (um/m <sup>3</sup> )	DG1, D <mark>G2</mark> , DG3, DG4	Annually	Standard Method
Aspergillus fumigatus	B1, B2, B3, B4, B5, B6, B7, B8	Annually	Grab Samples
Mesophilic bacteria	B1, B2, B3, B4	Annually	Grab Samples

The proposed monitoring points for Dust and Bioaerosols are those identified on Fig 10.1 and 10.2 respectively in **Volume 1, Section 10 of the EIS**.

### F.3 Surface Water

Monitoring of surface water shall be carried out at not less than two points, one upstream from the waste facility and one downstream.

Monitoring Arrangements specified	yes 🖂	no	not applicable
Monitoring points identified, (plus	yes 🗌	no🖂	not applicable
12-figure grid references)			
Attachment included	yes 🖂	no	not applicable



### Attachment F.3

It is not deemed necessary to carry out surface water monitoring at this time as only rain water from the main shed flows into the open ditch along the site entrance. When the site is entirely upgraded surface water will flow along a gradient into the paddock where it will naturally infiltrate.

### F.4 Sewer Discharge

Monitoring of sewer discharge shall be carried out at the point specified by the local authority/Agency.

Monitoring Arrangements specified	yes 🖂	no	not applicable
Monitoring points identified, (plus	yes 🗌	no⊠	not applicable
12-figure grid references)			
Attachment included	yes 🗌	no	not applicable

### Attachment F.4

Foul water from the office building is piped to a septic tank with a percolation area within the site boundary of the facility. This will be only domestic foul water from sinks, WC, shower. The tank and piping with be inspected and maintained regularly. Because of this no monitoring for foul water emissions is proposed.

### F.5 Groundwater

Groundwater monitoring is required at all landfill facilities; and certain other waste facilities depending on waste activities and the underlying aquifer vulnerability.

Monitoring Arrangements specified	yes 🖂	no	not applicable
Monitoring points identified, (plus 12-figure grid references)	yes 🗌	noX	not applicable
Attachment included	yes 🖂	no	not applicable

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### Attachment F.5

As there are no boreholes in use on the site there will be no monitoring for groundwater required. However, if it is decided to use the ground water abstraction point as seen on **Drawing DG0003A02 Appendix A**, the EPA will be advised and monitoring carried out according to the requests of the agency.

### F.6 Noise

Monitoring Arrangements specified	yes 🖂	no	not applicable
Monitoring points identified, (plus 12-figure grid references)	yes 🖂	no	not applicable
Attachment included	yes 🖂	no	not applicable

### Attachment F.6

The proposed monitoring programme for noise emissions at the facility is outlined in the table below. The location of proposed monitoring points at the site can be seen on Figure 11.1 in Volume 1, Section 11 of the EIS.

### **Proposed Noise Monitoring**

Parameter	Monitoring Location Note 1	Monitorin g Frequency Note 2	Analytical Methods Note 3
L (A) <sub>EQ</sub> [30 minutes]	N1, N2, N3, N4	Annually	Standard
L (A) <sub>10</sub> [30 minutes]	N1, N2, N3, N4	Annually	Standard
L (A) <sub>90</sub> [30 minutes]	N1, N2, N3, N4	Annually	Standard
Frequency Analysis (1/3 Octave band analysis)	(a) N1, N2, N3, N4	Annually	Standard

Note 1: N1 North Western Boundary of Site at corner of Composting Slab

- N2 Northern Boundary of Site at Composting Slab
- N3 South Eastern boundary of site at Paddock,
- N4 At Site Entrance

Note 2: To be carried out for both daytime and night time operations.

Note 3: International Standards Organisation ISO 1996. Acoustics- description and measurement of environmental noise. Parts 1, 2 and 3.

### F.7 Meteorological Data

measurement of environmental noise. Parts 1, 2 and 3.			
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Monitoring Arrangements specified	yes 🖂	no	not applicable
Monitoring points identified, (plus	yes 🗌	no	not applicable
12-figure grid references)			
Attachment included	yes 🖂	no	not applicable

### Attachment F.7

It is proposed to keep daily records of meteorological conditions at the site by consulting with the Met Office and obtaining details on the current meteorological conditions such as wind direction, stability classes, wind speed etc relevant to the Wilkinstown area.

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### SECTION G RESOURCES USE & ENERGY EFFICIENCY

### G.1 Raw Materials, Substances, Preparations and Energy

Attachment G.1 should contain a list of all raw, product and ancillary materials, substances, preparations, fuels and energy which will be utilised in or produced by the activity. Information on any insecticides, herbicides or rat poisons etc. should also be provided with their respective data and safety sheets. The Standard Forms, provided in Annex 1, should be used in the description of these materials, substances, etc., where relevant. Additional advice on completing this section is provided in the *Guidance Note*.

Attachment	yes 🖂	no	not applicable	
included				

### **Attachment G.1**

The following table gives details of the type and quantity of material used at the Organic Gold Facility.

Material	Usage
Water	Maximum 64,000 l/year
Electricity	60,000 units (KWh)
Diesel Fuel	~ <b>11,200</b> l/year
	5 <sup>004</sup>
Degreaser	ي 1/year
Wetting Agent	° 1 Kg
Ferro sulphate	1 Kg
Milorginite	1 Kg
Peat from Bord na	2,200 m <sup>3</sup>
Mona	
Silica Sand	200 tonnes per year
Inorganic Chemicals	Approx 500 tonnes
Calcified Sea Weed	30 tonne
Kelp Sea Weed	Approx 2 tonnes
Lignite	20-30
Deodouriser in Mist	Maximum 25 litres /day
System	l

## Materials Used at the OGF (refer to Attachment G.1 overleaf for MSDS Sheets – these are supplied where MSDS exist for the material)

### Lignite

Mined in Antrim and is blended with the retail compost to produce a soil improver. Trials are ongoing with this product to see if they could produce a peat free compost which would be environmentally sound and sustainable than the use of the finite source such as peat for blending with the compost.

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### Water Usage

All water used on site is currently taken from a shallow surface water well owned by Organic Gold (Marketing) Ltd. However, Organic Gold is awaiting to be connected up to the main water supply. 100mm Class II water mains will run from the site entrance and supply the facility.

Water will be required on site mainly for supplying the mist air system, and for general consumption in the site office. During periods of very dry weather some fresh water may be needed for wetting of the windrows, however, leachate will primarily be used for this purpose.

In case of a fire on site water will also be required. Fire hydrants will be installed near the car parking area at the corner of the office building and one in the composting slab area to protect against any potential fires on site. Water will also be required for the wheel wash area for washing trucks leaving the site and preventing debris from being carried out onto access roads.

The misting system will use a maximum of 46,000l/day if in full operation. i.e. all four sides of the system will be in operation. Employees and miscellaneous usage will use a maximum of 20,000 l/day. Therefore on a daily basis it is estimated that the maximum waste usage on the site will be approximately 66,000 litres of water. However, average consumption is OWNET expected to be far below this.

### **Diesel Fuel**

Only diesel fuel is used on the site. It is envisaged that approximately **11,200** litres of diesel will be consumed on an annual basis. Conse

### **Cleaning Agents**

Degreaser - 150l/year

### Electricity

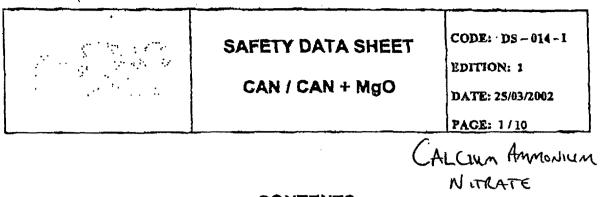
An estimated annual electricity usage of 60,000 units is estimated based on current consumption.

Ferro sulphate is used as a fertiliser blender.

### Wetting agents

Wetting agents are sometimes used in the finished product to ensure water spreads evenly through the media giving a good even moisture profile. This will avoid wet and dry spots and hence produce a better quality product to be used as growing media.

Milorginite is basically dried sludge which acts as a simple fertiliser when mixed with the compost. It aids plant uptake of nutrients when they begin germinating.



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### 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE PRODUCT AND THE COMPANY

### DESIGNATION: CAN / CAN + MgO

COMPANY: ADP - ADUBOS DE PORTUGAL, S.A. ESTRADA NACIONAL 10 - APARTADO 88 2615 - 909 ALVERCA (351) 210300400 FAX: (351) 210300500

### EMERGENCY CALLS:

Company phone 🖀 (351) 210300400

### 2. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

### CHEMICAL DESIGNATION : CAN / CAN + MgO

Mixture of ammonium nitrate with calcium carbonate and/or dolomite containing not more than 80% of ammonium nitrate, not less than 20% N, and not more than 0.4% of total combustible material.

### CLASSIFICATION: Not classified as hazardous material according to EEC Directive 88/379/EEC

### 3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

This fertilizer is a basically harmless product when handled correctly. However the following points should be noted which relate to ammonium nitrate content.

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Skin contact - Prolonged contact may cause some irritation.

Eve contact - May cause irritation following contact.

Ingestion
 Small quantities are unlikely to cause toxic effect.
 Large quantities may give rise to gastro-intestinal disorders and in extreme cases (particularly in very young) formation of methaemoglobin ("blue baby" syndrome) and cyanosis (Indicated by blueness around the mouth) may occur.

Inhaistion - High dust concentrations of airborne material may cause irritation of the nose and upper respiratory tract with symptoms such as sore throat and coughing.

Long term effects - No adverse effects are known

Fire and thermal

decomposition products - Inhalation of decomposition gases containing oxides of nitrogen and ammonia can cause initation and corrosive effects on the respiratory system. Some lung effects may be delayed.

- Environment Ammonium nitrate is a nitrogen fertilizer. Heavy spillage may cause adverse environmental impact such as eutrophication in confined surface waters or nitrate contamination (See section 12)
- Other (Fire, heating and detonation) the fertilizer is not itself combustible but it can support combustion, even in the absence of air. On heating it melts and further heating can cause decomposition, releasing toxic fumes containing nitrogen oxides and ammonia. It has high resistance to detonation. Heating under strong confinement can lead to explosive behaviour.

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Product:	
Skin contact	- Wash the affected area with scap and water.
Eve contact	<ul> <li>Flush / irrigate eyes with coplous amounts of water for at least 10 minutes.</li> <li>Obtain medical attention if eye irritation persists.</li> </ul>
Ingestion	- Do not induce vomiting. Under the small quantity has been swallowed .
Inhalation	- Remove from source of exposure to dusts. - Obtain medical attention if III effects occur.

Fire and decomposition products:

4. FIRST-AID MEASURES

Skin contact - Wash areas in contact with molten material copiously with cold water.

- Inhalation Remove from the source of exposure to furnes
  - Keep warm and at rest even though no symptoms may be evident
  - Give oxygen, especially if there is blueness around the mouth
  - Artificial respiration should only be applied if breathing fails
  - Following exposure, the person should be kept under medical review for at least 48 hours as delayed pulmonary orderna may develop.

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# 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

# If fertilizer is not directly involved in the fire:

>Use the best means available to extinguish the fire

#### If fertilizer is involved in the fire:

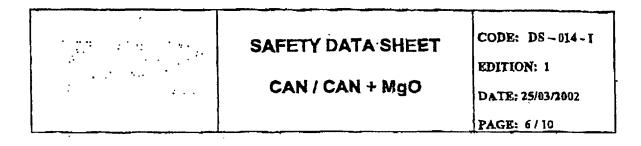
- > Call the fire brigade
- > Avoid breathing the fumes (toxic), Stand up-wind of the fire.
- > Use plenty of water.
- > Do not use chemical extinguisher or foams or attempt to smother the fire with steam or sand.
- > Open doors and windows of the store to give maximum ventilation
- > Do not allow molten fertilizer to run into drains
- > Prevent contamination of the fertilizer by oils or other combustible materials.
- > If water containing fertilizer enters any drains or watercourse, inform the local authorities immediately

# 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

- Any spillage of the fertilizer should be cleaned up promptly and placed in a open container for safe disposal. Do not allow to mix with sawdust and other combustible or organic substances
- Depending on the degree and nature of contamination, dispose of by use on farm as a fertilizer by spreading or to an authorised waste facility.
- >Take care to avoid the contamination of watercourses and drains and inform appropriate authority in case of accidental contamination of watercourses.

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# 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling - Avoid excessive generation of dust.

- Avoid contamination of the fertilizer by combustible (e.g. diesel oil, grease) and incompatible materials.
- Avoid unnecessary exposure to the atmosphere to prevent moisture pick-up.

- When handling the product over long periods use appropriate personal protective equipment.

Storage - Locate eway from sources of heat or fire.

- Keep away from combustible materials
- On farm, ensure that the fertilizer is not stored near hay, straw, grain, diesel oil, etc,
- Do not permit smoking and the use of naked lights in the storage areas,
- Restrict stack size (according to local regulation) and keep at least 1 m distance between stacks of bagged products
- Any building used for the storage should be dry and well ventilated.
- The product should not be stored in direct sunlight to avoid physical breakdown due to thermal cycling.

# 8. EXPOSURE CONTROL / PERSONAL PROTECTION

# Occupational exposure limits

>No specific official limits .

ACGIH: recommended value (1995-96) for inhalable particulate

TLV / TWA: 10 mg / m<sup>3</sup>

# Precautionary and engineering measures

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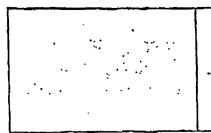
>Avoid high dust concentration and provide ventilation where necessary

#### Personal protection

- Wear suitable gloves when handling the product over long periods.
   Use suitable dust respirator if dust concentration is high.
   After handling product, wash hands and observe good hygiene practice.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES				
wet use.				
APPEARANCE	\$	White, off-whit	e or grey granules or prills	
ODOUR	\$	Odourless		
pH WATER SOLUTION (100 g/l)				
EXPLOSIVE PROPERTIES ್	G(I) For install For install For install For install For install For install	Strong heating (e.g. in tubes) or explosion es	under severe confinement may lead to a violent reaction specially if there is by some of the substances	
OXIDIZING PROPERTIES	\$	Not classified at to Directive 88 Can support of		
BULK DENSITY	⇔	Normally betwe	en 900-1100 g/cm³	
SOLUBILITY IN WATER	9	NH4NO3 Higi	hly soluble	
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#### CaCO<sub>3</sub>/MgCO<sub>3</sub> sparingly soluble Product hygroscopic

# 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

#### Stabillty

> The product is stable under normal conditions of storage, handling and use

# Condition to avoid

- > Storage in warm place or in sunlight.
- > Heating above 170°C (decomposes to gases).
- > Contamination by incompatible materials
- > Unnecessary exposure to the atmosphere
- > Closeness to sources of heat or fire
- > Welding or hot work on equipment or plant which may have contained fertilizers without first washing thoroughly to remove all fertilizers

## Materials to avoid

Combustible materials, reducing agents, acids, alkalies, sulphur, chlorates, chlorides, chromates, nitrites, permanganates, metallic powders and substances containing metals such as copper, nickel, cobalt, zinc and their alloys.

## Hazardous reactions/decomposition products

When in contact with alkaline materials such as lime, may give off ammonia gas (see also section 3 and 9)

# 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

See section 3.

LD 50 (oral, rat): > 2000 mg/Kg (may cause methaemoglobinaemia. See section 3)

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# 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

- Ammonium Nitrate is very soluble in water. The NO<sub>3</sub> ion is mobile. The NH<sub>4</sub> ion is adsorbed by soil. Limestone and dolomite are regarded as insoluble in water. They occur naturally
- > The nitrate ion is the predominant form of plant nutrition. It follows the natural nitrification / denitrification cycle to give nitrogen.
- > The product does not show any blo-accumulation phenomena
- > Low toxicity to aquatic life, TLM 98 between 10-100 ppm

# 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

> Depending on degree and nature of contamination, dispose of by use as fertilizer on farm or to an authorised waste facility.

# 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

ADR: Not classified

IMDG: Not classified

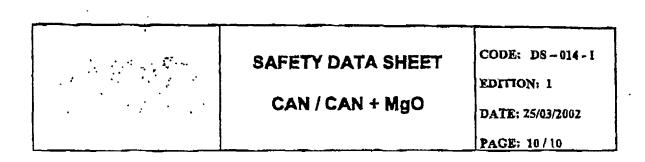
Not classified i.e. considered non-hazardous material according to UN Orange Book and international transport codes e.g. RID (rail), ADR (road) and IMDG (sea)

# **15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

# **EC Directives**

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# 16. OTHER INFORMATION

# **REFERENCES:**

> G.WEISS, Hazardous Chemicals Data Book, 2 nd Edition.

- > N. IRVING SAX, Dangerous Properties of Industrial Materials, 1960
- >ADR European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road, 1996
- >IMDG International Maritime dangerous Goods Code, 1989
- EFMA Safety Data Sheet, 30.09.1994

The Information in this Data Sheet is given in good faith and belief in its accuracy based on our knowledge of the substance/preparation concerned at the date of publication. It does not imply the acceptance of any legal liability or responsibility whatsoever by the Company for the consequences of its use misuse in any particular circumstances

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Monufacturer/distributor	K+S KALI GmbH Bertha-von-Suttner-Str. 7, D-34131 Kessel Poetbox 10 20 29, D-34111 Kessel Phone +49 581 8301-0, Fax +49 581 9301-1753
Advios .	Abt. 2U Phone +49 561 8301-1604 Fax +49 561 83854-5095
Emergency advice	Abi. 20 Phone +49 561 9301-1804
i Recommended Intended purpose(s) Fentilizer	
I Effect of the substance / the formulati Plant nutrient	lon
2. Composition/information on ingredie	inta N. m <sup>olter</sup>
CAS-No. 007447+40+7	Potassium Chiqide (KCI)
Additional advice May contain anti-dusting additives in ver Designation according to EC Fartilizer-D Munate of Polesh 60	APO ise
3. Special hazards information for man	Inemnotivne brie
R-phrases not applicable	
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#### 4. First aid measures

#### General Information

In the event of persistent symptoms receive medical treatment.

#### in case of inhalation Ensure of fresh eir. In the event of symptoms refer for medical treatment.

#### In case of ekin contect In case of contact with skin wash off with water.

In case of eye contect in case of contect with eyes rinse thoroughly with water.

#### In case of ingestion

Rinse out mouth thoroughly with water.



#### S. Fire-fighting measures

Sultable extinguishing material

Product does not burn, fire-extinguishing activitys according to surrounding.

# Extinguishing material that may not be used for safety reasons

no

Special exposure hazards arising from the substance, combustible products or resulting gases In case of fire formation of dangerous gases possible. Hydrogen chiorlde (HCI)

#### Special protective equipment for firefighters

Do not inhele explosion and/or combustion gases.

#### Additional Information

Collect contaminated firefighting water separately, must not be discharged into the drains.

#### 6. Accidental release measures

Additional information Additional information Additional for bare handling look up chapter 7 Informations for disposal look up Additional for disposal look up

#### 7. Handling and storage

#### Advice on safe handling

No special measures necessary if used correctly. Take the usual precautions when handling with chemicals.

Advice on protection against fire and explosion The product is not combustible. No apecial measures necessary.

#### Regultements for storage rooms and vessels No special measures required.

Advice on storage compatibility Keep at a distance of strong acids. Keep eway from water.

Further Information on storage conditions Store in a dry place,

#### Storage group 13

information on storage stability Unlimited stability.



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#### 8. Exposure controls / personal protection

#### Additional advice on system design no

**Respiratory protection** In case of dust formation wear micro dust mask.

Hand protection Rubber gloves

Eye protection lightly filting gogglas

Skin protection no

General protective measures no

#### **Hygiene measures**

Do not eat or drink when working. Brush soiled dothing. After work wash thoroughly.

9. Physical and chemical pro	operties		only and		
Form " granules		white mpupose	red	Odour odourless	
Data relevant for safety-	Value	Colour white Temperature	at	Method	Remark
pH value in delivery state	7	For soic	342 gA	DIN 38404-6	nevtei
bolling point	1411 .0	ent			Ref. (1)
mailing point	770 *C				Ref. (1)
Flash point	not applicab	1.			
Flammable solid	09				
Combustion temperature	mio.				
Autoignition	ng	•			
Vapour pressure	1.5 Terr	700 °C		clailc	Raf. (1)

Denalty	1,989 g/cm3	20 °C	1013 nPa	Ref. (1)
Buik density	1 <b>000-</b> 1200 kg/m3			
Solubility in water	342 gl	20 °C	1013 hPa	Ref. (1)

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Solubility/other	abl. 0,52 % weight	25 °C	mathanol		Ref. (1)
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Partition coefficient (log pOW)	benimereb zan				
Compustion value	1				
Oxidizing properties no					
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# 11. Toxicological information

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#### Acute toxicity/initability/Sensitization

	Value/Validation	Species	Method	Remark	
LD 50 acute oral	2600 mg/kg	jen j		Ref. (2) ·	
LD 50 acuta dermai	not determined				
LC 50 acute inhalation	not determined				
imiability skin	ĥØ			experiences	
initability eye	no			experiences	
Sensitization skin	no .			Bxperiences	
Sensitization respiratory system	ηo			experiences	



#### Toxicity test (Additional information)

No experimental indication of genotoxic effects. Substance has no mutegen activity ( Ames test ).

#### Additional Information

Toxical dates refer to pure product.

Our dates do not cover total texture toxic judgement. Follow the usual hyganic directives for handling with chamicals.

#### 12. Ecological Information

Data on elimination	on (persistence and degradebility) Elimination rate Method of analysis	Method	Validation
Physipo-	ىكى بىنىنىڭ ئىلىكى بىي «كىلەرنىي بىنىنى بىرىنىيە» بىلىنى بىرىكى بىكە ئىلىرىكى بىكە تەركى بىلىكە بىرىكى بىلىكە ي يېڭى بىلىكى بى	not applicable	
chamical degradability	Inorganic product, cannot be aliminated from in	e water by bloiogical	pudification processay.
Biological		not applicable	
degradability	inorganic product, cannot be aliminated from th	a water by biplegical	puffication processes.
Degradability		notablicable	
<b>-</b>	inarganic product, cannot be eliminated from it	water by biological	purfication processes.
Biological	DO <sup>SEC</sup>	not applicable	
eliminability	inamonic and unit cannot be aliminated that if	e water by blological	puddastan processes.
	instruction of the second seco		

#### Ecotoxicological effects

	Velue	FOR Special	Method	Validation	
Fish	LC50 2300 mg/l (45 h)	Solden one	DIN 38412 part 31	Ref. (3)	and the second secon
Daphnia	EC60 825 mg/ (48 h)	Dachnie magne	DIN 38412 pert 11	Ref. (3)	
A)gae	EC50 2800 mg/ (72 h)	Scenedeamus aubepicatus	0iN 38412 pari 33	Rof. (3)	
Bacteria	EC20 > 9,5 g/ (6 min)	Photobacterium phosphoreum	DIN 38412 part 8	Re!. (3)	

#### Behaviour in sewage plant

When low concentrations are discharged correctly into adapted biological sewage treatment plants, interference with the degradation activity of activated sludge is not likely.

#### Additional ecological information

-	Value	Melhod	Remark	
		and the second secon	<del>، « الله الجروبية المحمد التركية المركبة المحمد ا</del>	المحمد الإيليك بالبليس المحمد التيزي رادهمه
AOX	not applicable			

#### General regulation

Product is not allowed to discharge into equatio environment,



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#### 13. Disposal considerations

#### Westo code No

#### Name of waste

AAMERA CODA WAY	
02 01 09	agrochemicel waste other than those mentioned in 02 01 08
	solid saits and solutions other than those mentioned in 08 03 17 and 08 03 13
08 03 14	Soun and and administration states when such a second states

#### Recommendations for the product

In accordance with regulations for special waste, must be taken, after pretreatment, to an authorised special weste disposal sile.

#### Recommendations for packaging

Unconteminated packaging may be taken for recycling. Totally amplied peckeging may be taken for recycling.

#### 14, Transport information

# Land and Inland navigation transport (ADR/RID/GGV8/GGVE/ADNR) ould any other use. Remarks No hazardous material as defined by the prescriptions.

Transport/further Informations no

#### 15. Regulatory Information

Jonsen of conviet owner convict Remarks for classification no. R-phrases not applicable S-phrases

not applicable

#### Special labelling for certain preparations

no

#### National regulations

**Restriction of occupation** no

Decree for case of
Interferance/remarks

not applicable

VbF: is not subject to decree for compostible liquids. Classification according to VDF/remarks

German TA LUFT remarks

not applicable

K8w5-classification 1 Water hazard class

Other regulations, restrictions and prohibition regulations na

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#### 16. Other information

# Recommendend uses and restrictions

#### **Further information**

The information contained herein is based on our present knowledge and is not meant to guarantee product properties. Recipients of our product must take responsibility for observing existing laws and regulations. Refet to product information paper.

All declarations of safety-data-sheet refer to pure substance.

CAS-No. refers to pure substance.

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