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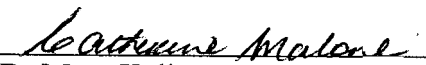
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RE: ROADSTONE WASTE LICENCE APPLICATION

Dear Mr Fitzpatrick

Thank you very much for your letter, dated 12 August 2005, the contents of which I have noted. I have passed this correspondence to our Office of Licensing and Guidance for their information.

Yours sincerely

  
pp. Dr Mary Kelly  
Director General



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12 August 2005  
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RE: Roadstone (waste licence Application)

Dear Mary

I would like to congratulate you on your decision to refuse Roadstone a licence to create a super dump in West Wicklow. I was delighted when I heard the news they were refused. However I am very disappointed and angry that they are appealing this decision. I believe the EPA's decision on such licensing should be final with no avenues for appeal or what grounds are they appealing? Its not like moving it a few hundred yards or downsizing its capacity a couple of 100,000 tonnes is going to change anything. Is it?

I feel sorry for the EPA being put in this situation and feel confused as to why this is happening again. Why cant you first decision be the final one? This is serious stuff you are dealing with. Its not a matter of moving a wall or something trivial like a building planning. I think if the EPA's decision was final they would gain alot more respect as an organisation. This is why I trust you will make the right decision, the only one you will

and refuse them again and finally close the book on this whole saga.

What other country but Ireland would allow a massive cooperation build a super dump without planning permission and appeal a waste licensing application. As you know they have been illegally dumping in Blessington. They are criminals. They should not be rewarded with a licence. They should be heavily punished for the disgusting environmental damage they have caused the Super in Blessington. This is an environmental disaster and the thought of an Environmental Agency granting them a waste licence after what they did is beyond comprehension. I can't believe they have the nerve to even seek such a licence. They should be refused and ordered to move their illegal dumps with immediate effect.

Can you imagine what its like checking what direction the wind is blowing everytime you let your kids out to play. That is the reality here. Imagine what it would be like with a Super dump. There are real families with real children living in Woodleigh. We see the victims of this whole scandal and we deserve to get closure on this dark cloud and move on with our lives.

This is not a case of justice for us. Its a case of environmental protection.

health and doing the right thing and I  
have every faith you will come to the  
only decision and refuse Roadstone a  
waste licence

yours

Tom Fitzpatrick