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## WASTE LICENCE Recommended Decision

Licence Register Number:	177-2
Applicant/Licensee:	Onyx Ireland Ltd.
Location of Facility:	<b>14A</b> Six Cross Roads Business Park, Waterford.

# **INTRODUCTION**

This introduction is not part of the licence and does not purport to be a legal interpretation of the licence.

This licence is for the operation of a non-hazardous waste transfer station located at 14A Six Cross Roads Business Park, Waterford. The waste intake is limited to 31,250 tonnes per annum of non-hazardous waste. The waste types to be accepted at the facility include commercial, industrial, household and a small quantity of construction and demolition waste. The licence does not allow for the acceptance of hazardous or liquid waste.

The licence restricts waste processing to inside the waste transfer station. The recyclable wastes are picked out and the cardboard, plastics, wood and metal are stock piled for transfer to appropriate recyclable facilities. Non-recyclable waste is bulk loaded and transferred to an off-site licensed disposal facility.

The licensee must manage and operate the facility to ensure that the activities do not cause environmental pollution. The licensee is required to carry out regular environmental monitoring and submit all monitoring results, and a wide range of reports on the operation and management of the facility to the Agency.

The licence sets out in detail the conditions under which Onyx Ireland Limited will operate and manage this facility.

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# Glossary & Terms

All terms in this licence should be interpreted in accordance with the definitions in the Waste Management Acts 1996 to 2003, (the Acts), unless otherwise defined in this section.

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Aerosol	A suspension of solid or liquid particles in a gaseous medium.	
Adequate lighting	20 lux measured at ground level.	
AER	Annual Environmental Report.	
Agreement	Agreement in writing.	
Annually	At approximately twelve monthly intervals.	
Attachment	Any reference to Attachments in this licence refers to attachments submitted as part of this licence application.	
Application	The application by the licensee for this licence.	
Appropriate facility	A waste management facility, duly authorised under relevant law and technically suitable.	
BAT	Best Available Techniques.	
<b>Bi-annually</b>	All or part of a period of six consecutive months.	
Biennially	Once every two years.	
Biodegradable waste	Any waste that is capable of undergoing anaerobic or aerobic decomposition, such as food, garden waste, sewage sludge, paper and paperboard.	
BOD	5 day Biochemical Oxygen Demand.	
CEN	Comité Européen De Normalisation – European Committee for Standardisation	
COD	Chemical Oxygen Demand.	
Commercial Waste	As defined in Section 5(1) of the Waste Management Acts 1996 to 2003.	
Construction and Demolition Waste	Wastes that arise from construction, renovation and demolition activities: Chapter 17 of the EWC or as otherwise may be agreed.	
Containment boom	A boom which can contain spillages and prevent them from entering drains or watercourses or from further contaminating watercourses.	
Daily	During all days of plant operation, and in the case of emissions, when emissions are taking place; with at least one measurement on any one day.	
Day	Any 24 hour period.	
Daytime	0800 hrs to 2200 hrs	

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dB(A)	Decibels (A weighted).	
DO	Dissolved Oxygen.	
Documentation	Any report, record, result, data, drawing, proposal, interpretation or other be document in written or electronic form which is required by this licence.	
Drawing	Any reference to a drawing or drawing number means a drawing or drawing number contained in the application, unless otherwise specified in this licence.	
EMP	Environmental Management Programme.	
Emission Limits	Those limits, including concentration limits and deposition rates established in <i>Schedule B</i> of this licence.	
Environmental Damage	Has the meaning given it in Directive 2004/35/EC	
, EPA	Environmental Protection Agency.	
.European Waste Catalogue (EWC)	A harmonised, non-exhaustive list of wastes drawn up by the European Commission and published as Commission Decision 2000/532/EC and any subsequent amendment published in the Official Journal of the European Community.	
Facility	Any site or premises used for the purposes of the recovery or disposal of waste.	
Fortnightly	A minimum of 24 times per year, at approximately two week intervals.	
GC/MS	Gas Chromatography/Mass Spectroscopy	
Green waste	Waste wood (excluding timber), plant matter such as grass cuttings, and other vegetation.	
Heavy Metals	This term is to be interpreted as set out in "Parameters of Water Quality, Interpretation and Standards" published by the Agency in 2001. ISBN 1-84095- 015-3.	
Hours of Operation	The hours during which the facility is authorised to be operational.	
Hours of Waste Acceptance	The hours during which the facility is authorised to accept waste	
ICP	Inductively Coupled Plasma Spectroscopy.	
Incident	The following shall constitute an incident for the purposes of this licence:	
	a) an emergency;	
	b) any emission which does not comply with the requirements of this licence;	
	c) any exceedence of the daily duty capacity of the waste handling equipment;	
	<ul> <li>any trigger level specified in this licence which is attained or exceeded; and,</li> </ul>	
Y	e) any indication that environmental pollution has, or may have, taken place.	

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Inert waste	Waste that does not undergo any significant physical, chemical or biological transformations. Inert waste will not dissolve, burn or otherwise physically or chemically react, biodegrade or adversely affect other matter with which it comes into contact in a way likely to give rise to environmental pollution or harm human health. The total leachability and pollutant content of the waste and the ecotoxicity of the leachate must be insignificant, and in particular not endanger the quality of surface water and/or groundwater.	
IPPC	Integrated Pollution Prevention & Control.	
K	Kelvin.	
kPa	Kilo Pascals.	
Leq	Equivalent continuous sound level.	
Licence	A Waste Licence issued in accordance with the Waste Management Acts 1996 to 2003.	
Licensee	Onyx Ireland Ltd.	
Liquid Waste	Any waste in liquid form and containing less than 2% dry matter.	
List I	As listed in the EC Directives 76/464/EEC and 80/68/EEC and amendments.	
List 11	As listed in the EC Directives 76/464/EEC and 80/68/EEC and amendments.	
Local Authority	Waterford City Council	
Maintain	Keep in a fit state, including such regular inspection, servicing, calibration and repair as may be necessary to adequately perform its function.	
Mass Flow Limit	An Emission Limit Value which is expressed as the maximum mass of a substance which can be emitted per unit time.	
Mass Flow Threshold	A mass flow rate, above which, a concentration limit applies.	
MBAS	Methylene Blue Active Substances.	
Monthly	A minimum of 12 times per year, at approximately monthly intervals.	
Municipal waste	As defined in Section 5(1) of the Waste Management Acts 1996 to 2003.	
Night-time	2200 hrs to 0800 hrs.	
Noise Sensitive Location (NSL)	Any dwelling house, hotel or hostel, health building, educational establishment, place of worship or entertainment, or any other facility or area of high amenity which for its proper enjoyment requires the absence of noise at nuisance levels.	
Oil Separator	Device installed according to the draft European Standard prEN 858 (Installations for the separation of light liquids, e.g. oil and petrol).	
PER	Pollution Emission Register.	
Quarterly	All or part of a period of three consecutive months beginning on the first day of January, April, July or October.	
Recyclable	Those waste types, such as cardboard, batteries, gas cylinders, etc, which may	

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Materials	be recycled.	
Regional Fisheries Board	s Southern Regional Fisheries Board.	
Sanitary Authority	Waterford City Council	
Sanitary Effluent	Waste water from facility toilet, washroom and canteen facilities	
Sample(s)	Unless the context of this licence indicates to the contrary, samples shall include measurements by electronic instruments.	
SOP	Standard Operating Procedure.	
Specified emissions	Those emissions listed in <i>Schedule B: Emission Limits</i> of this licence.	
Standard Method	A National, European or internationally recognised procedure (eg, I.S. EN, ISO, CEN, BS or equivalent), as an in-house documented procedure based on the above references, a procedure as detailed in the current edition of "Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater", (prepared and published jointly by A.P.H.A., A.W.W.A & W.E.F), American Public Health Association, 1015 Fifteenth Street, N.W., Washington DC 20005, USA; or, an alternative method as may be agreed by the Agency.	
Storm Water	Rain water run-off from roof and non-process areas.	
Temporary storage	•	
The Agency	Environmental Protection Agency.	
TOC	Total Organic Carbon.	
Trade Effluent	Trade Effluent has the meaning given in the water pollution Acts 1977 and 1990	
Trigger Level	A parameter value, the achievement or exceedance of which requires certain actions to be taken by the licensee.	
WEEE	As defined in S.I. No. 340 of 2005	
Weekly	During all weeks of plant operation, and in the case of emissions, when emissions are taking place; with at least one measurement in any one week.	
WWTP	Waste Water Treatment Plant.	

# Decision & Reasons for the Decisions Reasons for the Decision

The Agency is satisfied, on the basis of the information available, that subject to compliance with the conditions of this licence, any emissions from the activity will comply with and will not contravene any of the requirements of Section 40(4) of the Waste Management Acts 1996 to 2003.

In reaching this decision the Environmental Protection Agency has considered the application and supporting documentation received from the applicant, and the report of its inspector.

# Part I Schedule of Activities Licensed

In pursuance of the powers conferred on it by the Waste Management Acts 1996 to 2003, the Environmental Protection Agency (the Agency) proposes, under Section 46(2) of the said Act to grant this Waste Licence to Onyx Ireland Ltd. to carry on the waste activity/activities listed below at 14A Six Cross Roads Business Park subject to conditions, with the reasons therefor and the associated schedules attached thereto set out in the licence.

	Licensed Waste Disposal Activities, in accordance with the Third Schedule of the Waste Management Acts <b>1996</b> to <b>2003</b>
Class <b>11.</b>	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.

#### Licensed Waste Recovery Activities, in accordance with the Fourth Schedule of the Waste Management Acts 1996 to 2003

Class 2.	Recycling or reclamation of organic substances which are not used as solvents (including composting and other biological processes).
Class 3.	Recycling or reclamation of metals and metal compounds.
Class 4.	Recycling or reclamation of other inorganic materials.
<b>Class 13.</b>	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.

# Part 11 Schedule of Activities Refused

None of the proposed activities as set out in the licence application have been refused.

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## Part 111 Conditions

### Condition 1. Scope

- 1.1 Waste activities at this facility shall be restricted to those listed and described in Part I Activities Licensed and shall be as set out in the licence application or as modified under Condition 1.5 of this licence and subject to the conditions of this licence.
- 1.2 Activities at this facility shall be limited as set out in Schedule A: Limitations.
- 1.3 The facility shall be controlled, operated, and maintained and emissions shall take place as set out in this licence. All programmes required to be carried out under the terms of this licence, become part of this licence.
- 1.4 For the purposes of this licence, the facility authorised by this licence, is the area of land outlined in red on Figure B 1.a (Revision 1) of the application. Any reference in this licence to "facility" shall mean the area thus outlined in red. The licensed activities shall be the carried on only within the area outlined.
- 1.5 No alteration to, or reconstruction in respect of, the activity or any part thereof which would, or is likely to, result in
  - (a) a material change or increase in:
    - The nature or quantity of any emission,
    - The abatement/treatment or recovery systems,
    - The range of processes to be carried out,
    - The fuels, raw materials, intermediates, products or wastes generated, or
  - (b) any changes in:
    - Site management infrastructure or control with adverse environmental significance,

shall be carried out or commenced without prior notice to, and without the agreement of, the Agency.

- 1.6 This licence is for the purposes of waste licensing under the Waste Management Acts 1996 to 2003 only and nothing in this licence shall be construed as negating the licensee's statutory obligations or requirements under any other enactments or regulations.
- 1.7 This licence is being granted in substitution for the waste licence granted to the licensee on 14" November 2003 and bearing Waste Licence Register No: 177-1. The previous waste licence (Register No: 177-1) is superseded by this licence.
- 1.8 Waste Acceptance Hours and Hours of Operation
  - 1.8.1 With the exception **of** emergencies or as may be agreed by the Agency, waste shall be accepted at the facility only between the hours of 0700 to 2030 Monday to Friday inclusive (excluding Bank Holidays) and 0700 to 1730 on Saturdays and bank holidays.
  - 1.8.2 The facility shall be operated only during the hours of 0700 to 2100 Monday to Friday inclusive (excluding Bank Holidays) and 0700 to 1800 on Saturdays and bank holidays unless otherwise agreed by the Agency.

**Reason:** To clarify the scope  $\mathbf{d}$  this licence.

#### Management of the Facility **Condition 2.**

- 2.1 Facility Management
  - 2.1.1 The licensee shall employ a suitably qualified and experienced facility manager who shall be designated as the person in charge. The facility manager or a nominated, suitably qualified and experienced, deputy shall be present on the facility at all times during its operation or as otherwise required by the Agency.
  - 2.1.2 The licensee shall ensure that personnel performing specifically assigned tasks shall be qualified on the basis of appropriate education, training and experience, as required and shall be aware of the requirements of this In addition, the facility manager and his/her deputy shall licence. successfully complete FAS waste management training programme or equivalent agreed with the Agency.

#### 2.2 Environmental Management System (EMS)

- 2.2.1The licensee shall maintain an Environmental Management System (EMS). The EMS shall be updated on an annual basis.
- 2.2.2 The EMS shall include as a minimum the following elements:
  - 2.2.2.1 Management and Reporting Structure.
  - 2.2.2.2 Schedule of Environmental Objectives and Targets.

The licensee shall prepare a Schedule of Environmental Objectives and Targets. The Schedule shall as a minimum provide for a review of all operations and processes, including an evaluation of practicable options, for energy and resource efficiency, the use of cleaner technology, cleaner production, and the prevention, reduction and minimisation of waste, and shall include waste reduction targets. The Schedule shall include time frames for the achievement of set targets and shall address a five year period as a The Schedule shall be reviewed annually and minimum. amendments thereto notified to the Agency for agreement as part of the Annual Environmental Report (AER).

2.2.2.3 Environmental Management Programme (EMP)

#### An EMP shall be maintained by the licensee. It shall include:

- (b) designation of responsibility for targets;
- the means by which they may be achieved; (c)
- the time within which they may be achieved. (d)

The EMP shall be reviewed annually and amendments thereto notified to the Agency for agreement as part of the Annual Environmental Report (AER) (Condition 2.2.2.2).

A report on the programme, including the success in meeting agreed targets, shall be prepared and submitted to the Agency as part of the AER. Such reports shall be retained on-site for a period of not less than seven years and shall be available for inspection by authorised persons of the Agency.

2.2.2.4 Documentation





- (i) The licensee shall maintain an environmental management documentation system which shall be to the satisfaction of the Agency.
- (ii) The licensee shall issue a copy of this licence to all relevant personnel whose duties relate to any condition of this licence.
- 2.2.2.5 Corrective Action

The licensee shall maintain procedures to ensure that corrective action is taken should the specified requirements of this licence not be fulfilled. The responsibility and authority for initiating further investigation and corrective action in the event of a reported nonconformity with this licence shall be defined

2.2.2.6 Awareness and Training

The licensee shall maintain procedures for identifying training needs, and for providing appropriate training, for all personnel whose work can have a significant effect upon the environment. Appropriate records of training shall be maintained.

2.2.2.7 Communications Programme

The licensee shall maintain a Communications Programme to ensure that members of the public can obtain information at the facility, at all reasonable times, concerning the environmental performance of the facility.

Reason: To make provision for management of the activity on a planned basis having regard to the desirability of ongoing assessment, recording and reporting of matters affecting the environment.

### **Condition 3.** Infrastructure and Operation

- 3.1 The licensee shall establish all infrastructure referred to in this licence or as required by the conditions of this licence.
- 3.2 Facility Notice Board
  - 3.2.1 The licensee shall provide and maintain an Facility Notice Board on the facility so that it is legible to persons outside the main entrance to the facility. The minimum dimensions of the board shall be 1200 mm by 750 mm.
  - 3.2.2 The board shall clearly show:
    - a) the name and telephone number of the facility;
    - b) the normal hours of opening;
    - c) the name of the licence holder;
    - d) an emergency out of hours contact telephone number;
    - e) the licence reference number; and
    - f) where environmental information relating to the facility can be obtained.
- 3.3 Facility Security
  - 3.3.1 Security fencing, gates and closed circuit television shall be maintained around the facility boundary. Within three months of date of grant of licence, suitable fencing shall be erected at 'the boundary with the

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adjacent compost facility such **as** to prevent the movement **of** vehicles between the sites.

- 3.3.2 Gates shall be locked shut when the facility is unsupervised.
- 3.3.3 The licensee shall remedy any defect in the gates and/or fencing as follows:-

  - (ii) a repair to the standard of the original gates and/or fencing shall be undertaken within three worlung days.
- 3.4 Facility Roads and Site Surfaces
  - 3.4.1 Effective site roads shall be maintained to ensure the safe movement of vehicles within the facility.
  - 3.4.2 Traffic awaiting access to the facility shall not queue along the public road.
  - 3.4.3 The licensee shall maintain an impermeable hardstanding surface at the facility entrance area, at the car parking area, and where vehicle movement takes place. The floor of the waste handling and storage areas shall be concreted and constructed to British Standard 8110.
- 3.5 Facility Office
  - 3.5.1 The licensee shall provide and maintain an office at the facility. The office shall be constructed and maintained in a manner suitable for the processing and storing of documentation.
  - 3.5.2 The licensee shall provide and maintain a working telephone and a method for electronic transfer of information at the facility.
- 3.6 Waste Inspection and Quarantine Areas
  - 3.6.1 A Waste Inspection Area and a separate Waste Quarantine Area shall be provided and maintained at the facility.
  - 3.6.2 These areas shall be constructed and maintained in a manner suitable, and be of a size appropriate, for the inspection **of** waste and subsequent quarantine if required. The waste inspection area and the waste quarantine area shall be **clearly identified'and segregated from each other.**
  - 3.6.3 Drainage from these areas'shall be directed to FW1 as shown in Figure B2C, Rev la.
- 3.7 Weighbridge and Wheel Cleaning
  - 3.7.1 The licensee shall provide and maintain a weighbridge and a wheel cleaner at the facility.
  - 3.7.2 The wheel cleaner shall be used by all vehicles leaving the facility as required to ensure that no process water or waste is carried off-site. All water from the wheel cleaning area shall be directed to the wastewater interceptor.
- 3.8 Waste handling, ventilation and processing plant



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- 3.8.1 Items of plant deemed critical to the efficient and adequate processing of waste at the facility (including *inter alia* waste loading vehicles and ejector trailers) shall be provided on the following basis:
  - a) 100% duty capacity;
  - b) 20% standby capacity available on a routine basis; and
  - c) Provision of contingency arrangements and/or back up and spares in the case of breakdown of critical equipment.
- 3.8.2 The licensee shall maintain a register detailing the duty and standby capacity in tonnes per day, of all waste handling and processing equipment to be used at the facility. These capacities shall be based on the licensed waste intake, as per Schedule A.2 of this licence.
- 3.8.3 The quantity of waste to be accepted at the facility on a daily basis shall not exceed the duty capacity of the equipment at the facility. Any exceedance **of** this intake shall be treated as an incident.
- **3.9** Construction and Demolition Waste Recovery Area
  - 3.9.1 The construction and demolition waste recovery area shall be within the materials handling and recycling building.
  - 3.9.2 Only Construction and Demolition waste shall be accepted at this Area. Wastes which are capable of being recovered shall be separated and shall be stored temporarily in this area prior to being subjected to other recovery activities at the facility or transport off the facility.
- 3.10 The licensee shall install on all emission points such sampling points or equipment, including any data-logging or other electronic communication equipment, as may be required by the Agency. All such equipment shall be consistent with the safe operation of all sampling and monitoring systems.
- 3.11 Sampling equipment shall be operated and maintained such that sufficient sample is collected to meet both internal monitoring requirements and those **of** the Agency. A separate composite sample or homogeneous sub-sample (of sufficient volume as advised) should be refrigerated immediately after collection and retained as required for EPA use.
- 3.12 The licensee shall clearly label and provide safe and permanent access to all on-site sampling and monitoring points and to off-site points as required by the Agency.
- 3.13 Tank and **Drum** Storage Areas
  - 3.13.1 All tank and drum storage areas shall be rendered impervious to the materials stored therein.
  - 3.13.2 All tank and drum storage areas shall, as a minimum, be bunded, either locally or remotely, to a volume not less than the greater of the following:-
    - (i) 110% of the capacity of the largest tank or drum within the bunded area; or
    - (ii) 25% of the total volume of substance which could be stored within the bunded area
  - 3.13.3 All drainage from bunded areas shall be diverted for collection and safe disposal.
  - 3.13.4 All inlets, outlets, vent pipes, valves and gauges must be within the bunded area.
  - 3.13.5 The integrity and water tightness of all the bunding structures and their resistance to penetration by water or other materials stored therein shall be tested and demonstrated by the licensee at least once every three years. This testing shall be carried out in accordance with any guidance published by the

Agency. The licensee shall maintain a written record of all integrity tests and any maintenance or remedial work arising from these tests.

- 3.14 The licensee shall have in storage an adequate supply of containment booms and/or suitable absorbent material to contain and absorb any spillage at the facility. Once used the absorbent material shall be disposed of at an appropriate facility.
- 3.15 Silt Traps and Oil Separators

The licensee shall install and maintain silt traps and oil separator at the facility to ensure that all storm water discharges from the facility pass through a silt trap and oil separator prior to discharge. The separator shall be a Class I full retention separator and the silt traps and separator shall be in accordance with I.S. EN 585-2:2003 (separator systems for light liquids).

- 3.16 All pump sumps, or other treatment plant chambers from which spillage of environmentally significant materials might occur in such quantities as are likely to breach local or remote containment or separator, shall be fitted with high liquid level alarms (or oil detectors as appropriate) within six months **of** the date of grant of this licence.
- 3.17 The provision of a catchment system to collect any leaks from flanges and valves of all over ground pipes used to transport material other than water shall be examined. This shall be incorporated into a schedule of objectives and targets set out in Condition 2.2 of this licence for the reduction in fugitive emissions.
- 3.18 The licensee shall, within three months of the date of grant of this licence, install in a prominent location on the site a wind sock, or other wind direction indicator, which shall be visible from the public roadway outside the site.
- 3.19 The licensee shall provide and use adequate lighting during the operation of the facility in hours of darkness.

REASON: To provide for appropriate operation of the facility to ensure protection of the environment.

### **Condition 4.** Interpretation

- 4.1 Emission limit values for emissions to sewer in this licence shall be interpreted in the following way:-
  - 4.1.1 Discrete Sampling

For parameters other than pH and temperature, no grab sample value shall exceed **1.2** times the emission limit value.

- 4.2 Where the ability to measure a parameter is affected by mixing before emission, then, with agreement from the Agency, the parameter may be assessed before mixing takes place.
- 4.3 Noise from the facility shall not give rise to sound pressure levels (Leq, 30 mins) measured at the boundary of the activity which exceed the limit value.

Reason: To clarify the interpretation of emission limit values fixed under the licence.

### **Condition 5. Emissions**

- **5.1** No specified emission from the facility shall exceed the emission limit values set out in *Schedule B: Emission Limits* of this licence. There shall be no other emissions of environmental significance.
- 5.2 The licensee shall ensure that the activities shall be carried out in a manner such that emissions including odours do not result in significant impairment of, and/or significant interference with amenities or the environment beyond the facility boundary.
- **5.3** No substance shall be discharged in a manner, or at a concentration which, following initial dilution, causes tainting of fish or shellfish.
- **5.4** The licensee shall ensure that vermin, birds, flies, mud, dust, litter and odours do not give rise to nuisance at the facility or in the immediate area of the facility. Any method used by the licensee to control any such nuisance shall not cause environmental pollution.
- **5.5** Unless otherwise agreed in advance by the Agency and the Sanitary Authority, the following shall apply for the discharge of wastewater, which shall be via the wastewater, discharge line indicated on Figure B.2.c Site Service Plan. There shall be no other discharge or emission to sewer of environmental significance.
- **5.6** No substance shall be present in emissions to sewer in such concentrations as would constitute a danger to sewer maintenance personnel working in the sewerage system, or as would be damaging to the fabric of the sewer, or as would interfere with the biological functioning **of** a downstream wastewater treatment works.
- 5.7 The licensee shall ensure that the discharge shall not contain dissolved methane, petroleum spirits or organic solvents.(including chlorinated organic solvents), at concentrations which would give rise to flammable or explosive vapours in the sewer.
- 5.8 Non-trade effluent wastewater (e.g. firewater, accidental spillage) which is generated on-site shall not be discharged to the sewer without the prior authorisation of the Sanitary Authority.
- **5.9** Unless otherwise agreed by the Agency, no trade effluent, leachate and/or contaminated storm water shall be discharged to surface water drains and surface water courses.
- **5.10** There shall be no direct emissions to groundwater.

Reason: To provide for the protection of the environment by way of control and limitation of emissions and to provide for the requirements of the Sanitary Authority in accordance with Section 99E of the EPA Acts 1992 and 2003.

### Condition 6. Control and Monitoring

- 6.1 The licensee shall carry out such sampling, analyses, measurements, examinations, maintenance and calibrations as set out below and as in accordance with Schedule C of this licence:
  - 6.1.1 Analysis shall be undertaken by competent staff in accordance with documented operating procedures.
  - 6.1.2 Such procedures shall be assessed for their suitability for the test matrix and performance characteristics determined.
  - 6.1.3 Such procedures shall be subject to a programme of Analytical Quality Control using control standards with evaluation of test responses.
  - 6.1.4 Where analysis is sub-contracted it shall be to a competent laboratory.
- 6.2 All automatic monitors and samplers shall be functioning at all times (except during maintenance and calibration) when the activity is being carried on unless alternative sampling or monitoring has been agreed in writing by the Agency for a limited period. In the event of the malfunction of any continuous monitor, the licensee shall contact the Agency as soon as practicable, and alternative sampling and monitoring facilities shall be put in place. Agreement for the use of alternative equipment, other than in emergency situations, shall be obtained from the Agency.
- 6.3 Monitoring and analysis equipment shall be operated and maintained as necessary so that monitoring accurately reflects the emission or discharge.
- 6.4 All treatment/abatement and emission control equipment shall be calibrated and maintained, in accordance with the instructions issued by the manufacturer/supplier or installer.
- 6.5 The frequency, methods and scope **of** monitoring, sampling and analyses, as set out in this licence, may be amended with the agreement of the Agency following evaluation of test results.

#### 6.6 Process Effluent

- 6.6.1 The bunds, silt traps and oil separators shall be inspected weekly, desludged as necessary and properly maintained at all times. All sludge and drainage **from** these operations shall be collected **for** safe disposal.
- 6.6.2 The licensee shall permit authorised persons of the Agency and the Sanitary Authority to inspect, examine and test, at all reasonable times, any works and apparatus installed, in connection with the discharge or emission, and to take samples of the discharge or emission.
- 6.6.3 No discharge or emis'sion to sewer shall take place which might give rise to any reaction within the sewer or to the liberation of by-products which may be of environmental significance.
- 6.6.4 The licensee shall provide and maintain an inspection chamber in a suitable position in connection with each pipe through which adischarge or emission is being made. Each such inspection chamber or manhole shall be constructed and maintained by the licensee so as to permit the taking of samples of the discharge.
- 6.6.5 The licensee shall submit monitoring results to the Sanitary Authority on a three monthly basis.

#### 6.7 Storm water

- **6.7.1** A visual examination of the storm water discharge shall be carried out daily. A log of such inspections shall be maintained.
- **6.7.2** The drainage system, bunds, silt traps and oil separators shall be inspected weekly, desludged as necessary and properly maintained at all times. All sludge and drainage from these operations shall be collected for safe disposal.
- **6.8** The licensee shall carry out a noise survey of the site operations annually. The survey programme shall be undertaken in accordance with the methodology specified in the 'Environmental Noise Survey Guidance Document' as published by the Agency.
- **6.9** The licensee shall, at a minimum of one week intervals, inspect the facility and its immediate surrounds for nuisances caused by litter, vermin, birds, flies, mud, dust and odours. A log of such inspections shall be maintained.

#### 6.10 Litter Control

- **6.10.1** The measures and infrastructure as described in Section **3.3.5** of the EIS that accompanied the original licence application shall be applied to control litter at the facility.
- **6.10.2** All loose litter or other waste from the carrying on of the waste activities, arising on or in the vicinity of the facility, other than in accordance with the requirements of this licence, shall be removed, subject to the agreement of the landowners, immediately and in any event by 1000 hrs of the next working day after such waste is discovered.
- **6.10.3** The licensee shall ensure that all vehicles delivering waste to and removing waste and materials from the facility are appropriately covered.

#### 6.11 Dust/Odour Control

- **6.11.1** All waste for disposal stored overnight at the facility shall be stored within the materials recovery building or in suitably covered and enclosed containers, and shall be removed from the facility within forty eight hours, except at Bank Holiday weekends. At Bank Holiday weekends, waste for disposal shall be removed within seventy-two hours of its arrival on site.
- **6.11.2** In *dry* weather, site roads and any other areas used by vehicles shall be sprayed with water as and when required to minimise airborne dust nuisance.
- **6.11.3** The licensee shall maintain adequate measures for the control of odours and dust emissions, including fugitive dust emissions, from the facility. The odour management system shall at a minimum include the following:-
  - (i) Dust curtains (or equivalent approved by the Agency) shall be maintained on the entrylexit points from the waste transfer building, all other doors in this building shall be kept closed where possible.
  - (ii Provision of **100%** duty capacity and **20%** stand by capacity, back ups and spares must be provided for the air handling, ventilation and abatement plant

6.11.4 The licensee shall maintain an odour management programme to the satisfaction of the Agency. The programme shall include, as a minimum, procedures for the handling of biodegradable waste.

6.12 Operational Controls

- 6.12.1 The floor of the waste transfer building shall be cleaned on a weekly basis and on a daily basis where putrescible waste is handled. The floor of the storage bays for recovered wastes shall be washed down and cleaned on each occasion such bays are emptied, or as a minimum on a weekly basis.
- 6.12.2 Scavenging shall not be permitted at the facility.
- 6.12.3 The licensee shall provide and use adequate lighting during the operation of the facility in hours of darkness.
- 6.12.4 Fuels shall be stored only at appropriately bunded locations on the facility.
- 6.12.5 All tanks and drums shall be labelled to clearly indicate their contents.
- 6.12.6 There shall be no casual public access to the facility.

Reason: To provide for the protection of the environment by way of treatment and monitoring of emissions.

### Condition 7. Resource Use and Energy Efficiency

- 7.1 The licensee shall carry out an audit of the energy efficiency of the site within one year of the date of grant of this licence. The audit shall be carried out in accordance with the guidance published by the Agency; "Guidance Note on Energy Efficiency Auditing". The energy efficiency audit shall be repeated at intervals as required by the Agency.
- 7.2 The audit shall identify all opportunities for energy use reduction and efficiency and the recommendations of the audit will be incorporated into the Schedule of Environmental Objectives and Targets under Condition 2 above.
- 1.3 The licensee shall identify opportunities for reduction in the quantity of water used on site including recycling and reuse initiatives, wherever possible. Reductions in water usage shall be incorporated into Schedule of Environmental Objectives and Targets.
- 7.4 The licensee shall undertake an assessment of the efficiency of use of raw materials in all processes, having particular regard to the reduction in waste generated. The assessment should take account of best international practice for this type of activity. Where improvements are identified, these shall be incorporated into the Schedule of Environmental Objectives and Targets.

**Reason:** Toprovide for the efficient use of resources and energy in all site operations.

### **Condition 8.** Materials Handling

- 8.1 Disposal or recovery of waste shall only take place in accordance with the conditions of this licence and in accordance with the appropriate National and European legislation and protocols.
- 8.2 Waste sent off-site for recovery or disposal shall be transported only by an authorised waste contractor. The waste shall be transported only from the site of the activity to the site of recovery/disposal in a manner which will not adversely affect the environment and in accordance with the appropriate National and European legislation and protocols.
- 8.3 The licensee shall ensure that waste prior to transfer to another person shall be classified packaged and labelled in accordance with National, European and any other standards which are in force in relation to such labelling.
- 8.4 Waste shall be stored in designated areas, protected as may be appropriate, against spillage and leachate run-off. The waste is to be clearly labelled and appropriately segregated.
- 8.5 No waste classified as green list waste in accordance with the EU Transfrontier Shipment of Waste Regulations (Council Regulation EEC No.259/1993, as amended) shall be consigned for recovery without the agreement of the Agency.
- 8.6 Unless approved in writing by the Agency the licensee is prohibited from mixing a hazardous waste of one category with a hazardous waste of another category or with any other non-hazardous waste.
- 8.7 Waste Acceptance and Characterisation Procedures
  - 8.7.1 Waste shall only be accepted at the facility, from Local Authority waste collection or transport vehicles or holders of waste permits, unless exempted or excluded, issued under the the Waste Management Acts 1996 to 2003. Copies **of** these waste collection permits must be maintained at the facility.
  - 8.7.2 Waste Acceptance Procedures shall be carried out in accordance with Section 2.6 'Waste Handling' of the EIS, unless otherwise provided for in the licence.
  - 8.7.3 Waste arriving at the facility shall be weighed, documented and directed to the Waste Transfer Building. Each load of waste arriving at the Waste Transfer Building **shall** be inspected upon tipping within this building. **Only** after such inspections shall the waste be processed for disposal or recovery.
  - 8.7.4 Any waste deemed unsuitable for processing at the facility and/or in contravention of this licence shall be immediately separated and removed from the facility at the earliest possible time. Temporary storage of such wastes shall be in a designated Waste Quarantine Area. Waste shall be stored under appropriate conditions in the quarantine area to avoid putrefaction, odour generation, the attraction of vermin and any other nuisance or objectionable condition.
  - 8.7.5 A record of all inspections of incoming waste loads shall be maintained.
  - 8.7.6 Waste shall be accepted at the facility only from known customers or new customers subject to initial waste profiling and waste characterisation off-site. The written records of this off-site waste profiling and characterisation shall be retained by the licensee for all active customers and for a two year period following termination of licensee/customer agreements. There shall be no casual public access to the facility.

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- 8.7.7 Waste shall be accepted at the facility only from holders of a Waste Collection Permit, unless exempted under the Waste Management (Collection Permit) Regulations 2001.
- 8.8 Off-site Disposal and Recovery
  - 8.8.1 All waste transferred from the facility shall be transferred by an authorised or exempted carrier, and only to an appropriate facility agreed by the Agency. Any request for agreement of such a facility shall be forwarded to the Agency at least one month in advance of its proposed use and shall include the following;
    - (i) A copy of the waste permit or waste licence where applicable.
    - (ii) The proposed waste types and quantities.
    - (iii) Details of any limitations on waste types and quantities acceptable at the facility.

Reason: To provide for the appropriate handling of materials and the protection of the environment.

### Condition 9. Accident Prevention and Emergency Response

- **9.1** The licensee shall, within six months of date of grant *of* this licence, ensure that a documented Accident Prevention Policy is in place which will address the hazards on-site, particularly in relation to the prevention of accidents with a possible impact on the environment. This procedure shall be reviewed annually and updated as necessary.
- **9.2** The licensee shall, within six months of date of grant of this licence, ensure that a documented Emergency Response Procedure is in place, which shall address any emergency situation which may originate on-site. This Procedure shall include provision for minimising the effects of any emergency on the environment. This procedure shall be reviewed annually and updated as necessary.
- 9.3 **In** the event of an incident the licensee shall immediately:-
  - (i) isolate the source of any such emission;
  - (ii) carry out an immediate investigation to identify the nature, source and cause of the incident and any emission arising therefrom;
  - (iii) evaluate the environmental pollution, if any, caused by the incident;
  - (iv) identify and execute measures to minimise the emissions/malfunction and the effects thereof, and
  - (v) identify the date, time and place of the incident.

The licensee shall provide a proposal to the Agency for its agreement within one month of the incident occurring or as otherwise agreed with the Agency to:-

- \* identify and put in place measures to avoid reoccurrence of the incident; and
- identify and put in place any other appropriate remedial action.
- 9.4. Emergencies

No waste shall be burnt within the boundaries of the facility. A fire at the facility shall be treated as an emergency and immediate action shall be taken to extinguish it and notify the appropriate authorities.

Reason: To provide for the protection of the environment.

### Condition 10. Decommissioning.

10.1 Following termination, or planned cessation for a period greater than six months, of use or involvement of all or part of the site in the licensed activity, the licensee shall, to the satisfaction of the Agency, decommission, render safe or remove for disposal/recovery, any soil, subsoils, buildings, plant or equipment, or any waste, materials or substances or other matter contained therein or thereon, that may result in environmental pollution. The licensee shall carry out such tests, investigation or submit certification, as requested by the Agency, to confirm that there is no risk to the environment.

Reason: To make provision for the proper closure of the activity ensuring protection of the environment.

### **Condition 11.** Notifications, Records and Reports

- 11.1 The licensee shall notify the Agency by both telephone and either facsimile or electronic mail, if available, to the Agency's Headquarters in Wexford, or to such other Agency office as may be specified by the Agency, as soon as practicable after the occurrence of any of the following:
  - (i) Any release of environmental significance to atmosphere from any potential emission point including bypasses.
  - (ii) Any emission which does not comply with the requirements of this licence.
  - (iii) Any malfunction or breakdown of key control equipment or monitoring equipment set out in *Schedule C: Control & Monitoring* which is likely to lead to loss of control of the abatement system.
  - (iv) Any incident with the potential for environmental contamination of surface water or groundwater, or posing an environmental threat to air or land, or requiring an emergency response by the Local Authority.

The licensee shall include as part of the notification, date and time of the incident, summary details of the occurrence, and where available, the steps taken to minimise any emissions.

11.2 In the event of any incident which relates to discharges to sewer, having taken place, the licensee shall notify the Local and Sanitary Authority as soon as practicable, after such an incident.

- 11.3 The licensee shall make a record of any incident. This record shall include details of the nature, extent, and impact of, and circumstances giving rise to, the incident. The record shall include all corrective actions taken to; manage the incident, minimise wastes generated and the effect on the environment, and avoid recurrence. The licensee shall as soon as practicable following incident notification, submit to the Agency the incident record.
- 11.4 The licensee shall record all complaints of an environmental nature related to the operation of the activity. Each such record shall give details of the date and time of the complaint, the name of the complainant and give details of the nature of the complaint. A record shall also be kept of the response made in the case of each complaint.
- 1.5 The licensee shall record all sampling, analyses, measurements, examinations, calibrations and maintenance carried out in accordance with the requirements of this licence and all other such monitoring which relates to the environmental performance of the facility.
- **1.6** The licensee shall as a minimum keep the following documents at the site:-
  - (i) the licences relating to the facility;
  - (ii) the current EMS for the facility;
  - (iii) the previous year's AER for the facility;
  - (iv) records of all sampling, analyses, measurements, examinations, calibrations and maintenance carried out in accordance with the requirements of this licence and all other such monitoring which relates to the environmental performance of the facility;
  - (v) relevant correspondence with the Agency;
  - (vi) an up to date site drawings/plans showing the location of key process and environmental infrastructure, including monitoring locations and emission points

and this documentation shall be available to the Agency for inspection at all reasonable times.

## **11.7** The licensee shall submit reports to the Agency as required by this licence and in accordance with *ScheduleE*.

- 11.8 The licensee shall submit to the Agency, by the 31<sup>st</sup> March of each year, an AER covering the previous calendar year. This report, which shall be to the satisfaction of the Agency, shall include as a minimum the information specified in *Schedule E* and shall beprepared in accordance with any relevant guidelines issued by the Agency.
- 11.9 A full record, which shall be open to inspection by authorised persons of the Agency at all times, shall be kept by the licensee on matters relating to the waste management operations and practices at this site. This record shall be maintained on a monthly basis and shall as a minimum contain details of the following:
  - (i) The tonnages and EWC Code for the waste materials imported and/or sent off-site for disposallrecovery.
  - (ii) The names of the agent and carrier of the waste, and their waste collection permit details, if required (to include issuing authority and vehicle registration number).
  - (iii) Details of the ultimate disposallrecovery destination facility for the waste and its appropriateness to accept the consigned waste stream, to include its permit/licence details and issuing authority, if required.
  - (iv) Written confirmation of the acceptance and disposallrecovery of any hazardous waste consignments sent off-site.

- (v) Details of all wastes consigned abroad for Recovery and classified as 'Green' in accordance with the EU Transfrontier Shipment of Waste Regulations (Council Regulation EEC No. 259/1993, as amended). The rationale for the classification must form part of the record.
- (vi) Details of any rejected consignments.
- (vii) Details of any approved waste mixing.
- (viii) The results of any waste analyses required under Schedule C.
- (ix) The tonnages and EWC Code for the waste materials recovered/disposed on-site.
- 11.10 Waste Recovery Reports

The licensee shall as part of the EMP submit a report on the contribution by this facility to the achievement of the recovery targets stated in national and European Union waste policies and shall include the following:-

- proposals for the contribution of the facility to the achievement of targets for the reduction of biodegradable waste to landfill as specified in the Landfill Directive;
- (ii) the separation of recyclable materials from the waste;
- (iii) the recovery **of** Construction and Demolition Waste;
- (iv) the recovery of metal waste and WEEE;

Reason: To provide for the collection and reporting of adequate information on the activity.

### **Condition 12. Financial Charges and Provisions**

#### 12.1 Agency Charges

- 12.1.1 The licensee shall pay to the Agency an annual contribution of €,974, or such sum as the Agency from time to time determines, having regard to variations in the extent of reporting, auditing, inspection, sampling and analysis or other functions carried out by the Agency, towards the cost of monitoring the activity as the Agency considers necessary for the performance of its functions under the Waste Management Acts 1996 to 2003. The first payment shall be a pro-rata amount for the period from the date of this licence to the 31st day of December, and shall be paid to the Agency within one month from the date of the licence. In subsequent years the licensee shall pay to the Agency such revised annual contribution as the Agency shall from time to time consider necessary to enable performance by the Agency of its relevant functions under the Waste Management Acts 1996 to 2003, and all such payments shall be made within one month of the date upon which demanded by the Agency.
- 12.1.2 In the event that the frequency or extent of monitoring or other functions carried out by the Agency needs to be increased the licensee shall contribute such sums as determined by the Agency to defraying its costs in regard to items not covered by the said annual contribution.
- 12.2 Sanitary Authority Charges
  - 12.2.1 The licensee shall pay to the Sanitary Authority €0.056 cent per cubic metre of trade effluent discharged to the foul sewer or such sum as may be

determined from time to time, having regard to the variations in the cost of providing drainage and the variation in effluent reception and treatment costs. Payment to be made quarterly on demand.

12.2.2 The licensee shall pay an annual charge of €220 to the Sanitary Authority towards the cost of monitoring the trade effluent. This amount will be revised from time to time. Payment to be made on demand.

#### 12.3 Environmental Liabilities

12.3.1 The licensee shall as part of the AER provide an annual statement as to the measures taken or adopted at the site in relation to the prevention of environmental damage, and the measures in place in relation to the underwriting of costs for remedial actions following anticipated events or accidents/incidents, as may be associated with the carrying on of the activity.

Reason: To provide for adequate financing for monitoring and financial provisions for measures to protect the environment and to provide for the requirements of the Sanitary Authority in accordance with Section 99E of the EPA Acts 1992 and 2003.

### **Schedule A: Limitations**

#### A.1

The following waste related processes are authorised:

- 1. Shredding, crushing, bailing, repackaging processes
- 11. C & D waste recovery (incl. crushing, screening, sorting, blending)
- iii. Storage of waste
- iv. Recovery of dry recyclables

No additions to these processes are permitted unless agreed in advance with the Agency.

#### A.2 Waste Acceptance

Table A.1 Waste Categories and Quantities

WASTE TYPE Note 1	MAXIMUM (TONNES PER ANNUM) <sup>Note 2</sup>
Househöld	4,700
Commercial & Industrial	25,750
Construction& Demolition	800
TOTAL	3 <b>1,250</b>

lote 1: Any proposals to accept other compatible waste streams must be agreed in advance with the Agency and the total amount of waste must be within that specified.

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Note 2: The individual limitation on waste streams may be varied with the agreement of the Agency subject to the overall total limit staying the same.

## Schedule B: Emission Limits

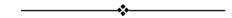
B.2 Emissions to Water

#### There are no Emissions to Water of environmental significance.

B.3 Emission to Sewer

<b>Emission Point Reference No.:</b>	FW1	
Location:	As per Fig. B2C, Rev. 1a	
Volume to be emitted:	Maximum in any one day:	$763.2{ m m}^3$
	Maximum rate per hour:	<b>31.8</b> m <sup>3</sup>

Parameter	Emission Limit Value
Temperature	18°C (max.)
PH	6 - 9
	mg/l
BOD	400
COD	1100
Suspended Solids	300
Oils, Fats & Greases	10
Conductivity	1500
MBAS	0.2



B.4. Noise Emissions

Daytime dB(A) LAreq (30 minutes)	Night-time dB(A) L <sub>Aeq</sub> (30 minutes)
55 <sup>Note 1</sup>	45 <sup>Note I</sup>

### Schedule C: Control & Monitoring

#### C.1.1 Control of Emissions to Air

There are no point source emissions to air of environmental significance.

#### c.1.2 Monitoring of Emissions to Air

There are no point source emissions to air of environmental significance.

c.2.1 Control of Emissions to Water

There are no emissions to water of environmental significance.

c.2.2 Monitoring of Emissions to Water

There are no emissions to water of environmental significance.

C2.3 Monitoring of Storm Water Emission

Emission Point Reference No.:

Parameter	Monitoring Frequency	Analysis Method/Technique
Conductivity	Weekly	Portable probe
Ammonia	Weekly	Portable probe
Visual Inspection	Daily	Grab sample and examine for colour and odour

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#### C.3.1 Control of Emissions to Sewer

This is addressed in Conditions 5 and 6.

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Monitoring of Emissions to Sewer

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Emission Point Reference No.:	FWL	
Parameter	Monitoring Frequency	, Analysis Method/Technique
Flow	Continuous	On-line flow meter with recorder
Temperature	Continuous	On-line temperature probe with recorder
pH	Continuous	pH electrode/meter and recorder
Chemical Oxygen Demand	Quarterly	Standard Method
<b>Biochemical Oxygen Demand</b>	Quarterly	Standard Method
Suspended Solids	Quarterly	Gravimetric
Oils, fats & greases	Quarterly	Standard Method
Conductivity	Quarterly	Standard Method
MBAS	Quarterly	Standard Method

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Location	Measurement	Frequency
N1 (258326E, 109519N)	LA <sub>EQ</sub> (30 minutes)	Annually
N2 (258362E, 109435N)	LA <sub>EQ</sub> (30 minutes)	Annually
N3 (258312E, 109511N)	LA <sub>EQ</sub> (30 minutes)	Annually

#### *C.6* **Ambient Monitoring**

#### Dust deposition Monitoring

Locati	cations:       D1 - 3, as indicated in Figure C.1.a (Revision 1) of the review application.					
	Parameter	Monitoring Frequency	Analysis Method/Technique			
Dust deposition		Three times a year <sup>Note 2</sup>	Standard Method Note I			
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## Schedule D Reporting

Completed reports shall be submitted to:

The Environmental Protection Agency Office of Environmental Enforcement Environmental Protection Agency P. **O. Box** 3000 Johnstown Castle Estate Co. Wexford **or** Any other address as **may** be specified by the Agency

Reports are required to be forwarded as required in the licence and as may be set out below:

Report	Reporting Frequency Notel	Report Submission Date
Annual Environment Report (AER)	Annually	By 3 1 <sup>st</sup> March of each year.
Record of incidents	As they occur	Within five days of the incident.

Note 1: Unless altered at the request of the Agency.

### **Schedule E: Annual Environmental Report**

Annual Environmental Report Content<sup>Note 1</sup>

Waste activities carried out at the facility.

Emissions from the facility.

Quantity and Composition of waste recovered, received and disposed of during the reporting period and each previous year (relevant EWC codes to be used).

Resource consumption summary.

Complaints summary.

Schedule of Environmental Objectives and Targets

Environmental management programme - report for previous year

Environmental management programme - proposal for current year

Noise monitoring report summary

Ambient monitoring summary

Bund tank and container integrity assessment

Tank and pipeline testing and inspection report

Reported incidents summary

Energy efficiency audit report summary

Development / Infrastructural works summary (completed in previous year or prepared for current year).

Management and staffing structure of the facility, and a programme for public information

Statement of measures in relation to prevention of environmental damage and remedial actions (Environmental Liabilities) Full title and a written summary of any procedures developed by the licensee in the year which relates to the facility operation.

Waste Recovery Report.

Review of Nuisance Controls.

Any other items specified by the Agency.

Note 1: Contentmay be revised subject to the agreement of the Agency

### Signed on behalf of the said Agency

on the xx day of xxxxx, 2005

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**Authorised Person**