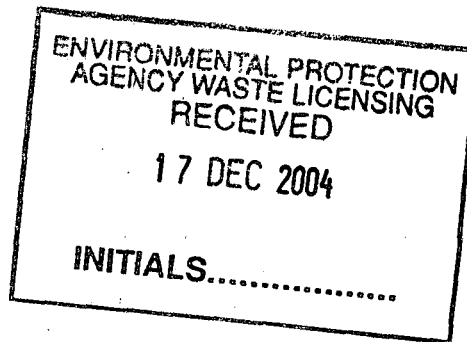




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Re: Waste Licence Application 204-1

Dear Malcolm,

I am writing to you on behalf of our client, Brownfield Restoration Ireland Ltd. (BRI) to update you on developments in relation to the Whitestown site and the proposed facility, which is the subject of a waste licence application. Our client has had ongoing discussions with Wicklow County Council, both in relation to a planning application and in regard to seeking a commitment from the County Council to fund its share of the remediation costs, in light of the knowledge that they were depositing waste in the sand pit for over 20 years. Unfortunately, to-date, the Council has not made a commitment to provide funding.

We are pleased to advise that more progress has been made in the pre-planning application discussions and BRI intends to submit a planning application, for the same development which the current waste licence application relates to, in the very near future.

BRI is collecting evidence in relation to past activities at the site and is having on-going discussions with other parties in relation to remediation of the site. It is BRI's hope that we will be in a position to report further progress in relation to the Polluter Pays Principle in the near future. BRI has also retained the services of a firm of solicitors and intends to begin proceedings in the New Year against any organisations and individuals who

are not prepared to make a voluntary commitment to co-funding the remediation of the site.

Our client has also requested that we seek a commitment from the EPA as to a date by which the Proposed Decision will be issued. As you will be aware, it is now nearly 9 months since the waste licence application was lodged and, although our investigations do not indicate that there is any pollution of the River occurring, as a result of the wastes being on the site, our client is eager to begin the remediation and development of the site as soon as possible and certainly next spring.

I look forward to your reply.

Yours sincerely,



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