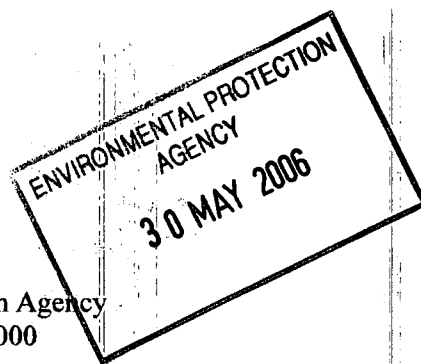


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Observation on objection by applicant to notification in accordance with Section 42(2) of the Waste Management Acts, 1996 to 2005, of a proposed decision on a waste licence application, in respect of a facility at Brownfield Restoration Ireland Ltd., Whitestown Lower, Co Wickow.

Ref.: 204-1

Dear Sir or Madam:

In relation to the applicant's objection to the above proposed decision, which objection propounds waste importation with scant mention of remediation of the site, the following are our observations:

Any relaxation of conditions 1.3. and 1.4 of the Agency's proposed decision would create a situation which would be impossible to police effectively. It is essential that the clear requirements of the current conditions 1.3 and 1.4 are maintained, and perhaps strengthened.

Furthermore, the assertion by the applicant in paragraph d. that the site at Whitestown "...does not fall within the other categories such as comprising wetlands" is incorrect – see report by David Ball, Hydrogeologist, to An Bord Pleanala which report has been accepted by An Bord Pleanala and the Agency.

We reiterate our own objections as follows:

The Agency must:

1. Set a limit on the time within which the remediation must be completed.
2. No lagoons to be permitted – mobile facility such as that specified by the Agency for the Roadstone site in Blessington only to be licensed.
3. A concrete and definitive direction or requirement that on completion of remediation of the site Condition 10: Closure, Restoration and Aftercare be strictly adhered to with the addition that the site must revert immediately to agricultural or similar natural use.

Finally, the comments made in the closing paragraph of the applicant's objection are of great concern if, as implied, there are in existence other documents and communications relating to this application which have been withheld from public scrutiny.

Yours truly,

Peter Walton and Florence Staunton