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Teresa, a chara,

I would like to take this opportunity to make a submission in relation to the proposed land fill in Fingal. In doing so I would also request that the Environmental Protection Agency convene an oral hearing before making recommendation.

I am of the firm believe that the Environmental Protection Agency reject Fingal County Council's request for a license for the proposed land fill dump in Fingal, County Dublin.

The proposal to build a landfill super dump in the Fingal area flies against any rationale thinking. This is clearly a trade off, Poolbeg Peninsula must take an incinerator while the people of Lusk must take a super dump in refurn.

The Dublin Regional Waste Strategy is a flawed plan which sees a land fill dump and an incinerator being built in Dublin. The superdump is one arm of a dual strategy doomed to failure. The plan envisages an incinerator being built in the Ringsend, Sandymount area and a super dump being built in Lusk. The proposed super-dump is to be built in one of Ireland's most fertile land with over 50% of all fresh fruit and vegetables produced in this country coming from the site of the proposed land fill. The risk of contamination from the land fill may well make this 650 million euro economy redundant. With over 300 water wells in this area with an output of 35m liters of water a day, the water system will be put under threat form this land fill. A leak from the land fill would pollute the water system and render it unsuitable on a permanent basis for local food suppliers.

No one doubts that Dublin faces a waste management crisis, but simply burning and burying our waste is not the solution. The bullyboy tactics of local authorities shown in Ringsend and Lusk are unacceptable. Communities on both sides of the Liffey are committed to dealing with the waste crisis. Both land fill and incinerator must be opposed and the plans abolished. A strategy of tackling the waste crisis at source must be implemented, a strategy that aims at reducing, reusing and recycling, with the ultimate objective of Zero Waste for Dublin.

In conclusion I call on the Environmental Protection Agency to reject Fingal County Council's request for license for the proposed land fill dump.

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