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To whom it may concern,

Thank you for your recent correspondence. The Agency currently has before it for consideration a licence application from Greenstar Limited for a materials recovery and transfer facility to be located at Clavass, Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford. The facility requires a licence under the Waste Management Acts 1996 to 2005. The Agency is precluded from granting a licence unless it is satisfied that the requirements of Section 40(4)[(a) to (i)] of the Waste Management 1996 to 2005 are met.

Extract for Waste Management Acts 1996 to 2005:

- 40 (4) The Agency shall not grant a waste licence unless it is satisfied that—
- (a) any emissions from the recovery or disposal activity in question ("the activity concerned") will not result in the contravention of any relevant standard, including any standard for an environmental medium, or any relevant emission limit value, prescribed under any other enactment,
 - (b) the activity concerned, carried on in accordance with such conditions as may be attached to the licence, will not cause environmental pollution,
 - (bb) if the activity concerned involves the landfill of waste, the activity, carried on in accordance with such conditions as may be attached to the licence, will comply with Council Directive 1999/31/EC on the landfill of waste,
 - (c) the best available techniques will be used to prevent or eliminate or, where that is not practicable, to limit, abate or reduce an emission from the activity concerned,



- (cc) the activity concerned is consistent with the objectives of the relevant waste management plan or the hazardous waste management plan, as the case may be, and will not prejudice measures taken or to be taken by the relevant local authority or authorities for the purpose of the implementation of any such plan,
- (d) if the applicant is not a local authority, the corporation of a borough that is not a county borough, or the council of an urban district, subject to subsection (8), he or she is a fit and proper person to hold a waste licence,
- (e) the applicant has complied with any requirements under section 53,
- (f) energy will be used efficiently in the carrying on of the activity concerned,
- (g) any noise from the activity concerned will comply with, or will not result in the contravention of, any regulations under section 106 of the Act of 1992,
- (h) necessary measures will be taken to prevent accidents in the carrying on of the activity concerned and, where an accident occurs, to limit its consequences for the environment,
- (i) necessary measures will be taken upon the permanent cessation of the activity concerned (including such a cessation resulting from the abandonment of the activity) to avoid any risk of environmental pollution and return the site of the activity to a satisfactory state.

I trust that comments assist.

Yours sincerely


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