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Signed: J. Berne Dated: 26/11/07

## INSPECTOR'S REPORT ON A TECHNICAL AMENDMENT TO A WASTE LICENCE

TO:	Dr. Padraic Larkin, Director
FROM:	Aoife Loughnane
DATE:	26 <sup>th</sup> November 2007
RE:	Technical Amendment, under section 42B(1)(c), of Waste Licence Register No. W0144-01, Sean Rooney Limited, t/a Bambi Bins & Wheel Bin Services Limited, Coes Road, Dundalk, Co. Louth

*Approved P. Loughnane* 28/11/07

### Summary

This memo deals with a request for a technical amendment of Waste Licence Reg. No. W0144-01 in order to accommodate extended hours of waste acceptance and operation at a licensed waste transfer and recycling facility located at Coes Road, Dundalk, Co. Louth.

### Background

Waste Licence Reg. No. W0144-01 was granted to Sean Rooney Limited, t/a Bambi Bins & Wheel Bin Services Limited, Coes Road, Dundalk, Co. Louth on 6<sup>th</sup> February 2002. Since the licence was issued, Oxigen Environmental Ltd. have taken ownership of the facility, however 'Sean Rooney Limited, t/a Bambi Bins & Wheel Bin Services Limited' is a separate legal entity under the Oxigen Environmental Ltd. corporate structure.

The facility is located in an area zoned for industrial development. The Coes Road runs adjacent to the eastern site boundary. Waste activities at the facility consist of acceptance and bulk loading of commercial, industrial, municipal and construction & demolition waste for transfer to other recycling or disposal facilities. The facility is licensed to accept a maximum of 90,000 tonnes of waste per annum.

A previous technical amendment (Amendment A) of licence W0144-01 was issued on 26<sup>th</sup> September 2007 in order to relax the prohibition of waste acceptance at the facility on Sundays and Bank Holidays. Condition 1.7.4 of the licence now states:

*"Waste shall not be accepted at the facility on Sundays or on Bank Holidays, unless agreed in advance by the Agency."*

### Requested Technical Amendment

The licensee, in correspondence dated 5<sup>th</sup> October 2007, has requested extended hours of waste acceptance & operation at the facility in order to facilitate an increased recycling service for their domestic customers by providing them with a brown bin collection for organic waste and also to increase the number of green bin dry recycling collections. The licensee also states that more commercial customers are demanding evening waste collections, due to traffic restrictions in Drogheda & Dundalk.

Conditions 1.7.1 & 1.7.2 of Licence W0144-01 currently state:

- 1.7.1 *Waste shall only be accepted at the facility between the hours of 5.30am and 9.30pm Monday to Saturday inclusive.*
- 1.7.2 *The facility shall only be operated during the hours of 5.00am and 9.30pm Monday to Saturday inclusive.*

The licensee requests that these conditions be amended to state:

- 1.7.1 Waste shall only be accepted at the facility between the hours of 5.30am and 12.00am (midnight) Monday to Saturday inclusive".
- 1.7.2 The facility shall only be operated during the hours of 5.00am and 12.30am Monday to Saturday inclusive.

If this technical amendment is granted, the licensee proposes the following measures:

- 1) Collection & bulking-up of material as usual at the facility;
- 2) Material will be tipped & loaded straight away into ejector trailers. Any putrescible material will then be stored in closed ejector trailers, indoors, until it can be removed to landfill or recovery facilities at the first available opportunity, in accordance with Condition 7.5 of the licence;
- 3) All tipping and bulking of material will occur indoors with all shed doors remaining closed so as not to give rise to odour or noise.
- 4) Should C&D material be accepted after 9pm, the skip will be parked up and tipped the following morning so as not to give rise to noise nuisance.
- 5) All other conditions of Waste Licence W0144-01 will be met.

I consider that the control of items 1,2 & 3 are sufficiently provided for under Conditions 5.1<sup>1</sup> (Waste Processing) and Condition 7.5<sup>2</sup> (Nuisance Control) of the existing licence. Condition 1.7.3 restricts the operation of the trommel and any C&D waste processing plant to between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. Monday to Saturday inclusive in order to minimise the emission of noise during night-time hours. I consider that this condition provides sufficient control in relation to item 4 above.

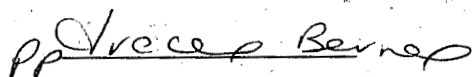
Despite any increase in hours of waste acceptance and operation authorised under technical amendment, waste acceptance at the facility is still limited to a maximum of 90,000 tonnes per annum, as specified in *Schedule A: Waste Acceptance* of Licence W0144-01.

I have consulted with the OEE Inspector for the facility as part of my assessment of this request. The compliance history for the facility is generally satisfactory, although odours from waste and the odour control/masking agent used at the facility have given rise to a number of complaints in the past, most recently in August 2005.

#### **Recommendation**

It is recommended that an increase in waste acceptance and operating hours may be authorised on condition that the Agency may revoke/revise the amended hours, as it considers necessary. Any agreement given by OEE under the amended Condition 1.7 will have this provision.

I recommend that the Amendment be issued subject to the conditions and for the reasons drafted.



Aoife Loughnane,

Licensing Inspector

<sup>1</sup> Condition 5.1 states: "All waste processing, other than processing of construction and demolition waste, shall be carried out inside the Segregation Store or the Recycling Store".

<sup>2</sup> Condition 7.5 states: "All waste for disposal stored overnight at the facility, shall be stored in suitably covered and enclosed containers within the Recycling Store or the Segregation Store, and shall be removed from the facility within forty eight hours of its arrival at the facility except at Bank Holiday weekends. At Bank Holiday Weekends, waste shall be removed from the facility within seventy two hours of its arrival on-site".