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Knightstown Lusk Co. Dublin Ireland 15 May 2008

Marcin Libicki Chairman of the Committee on Petitions European Parliament Brussels Belgium

Ref; Proposed landfill at Nevitt Lusk Co. Dublin Ireland, Ref WO231 – 01, Petitions 295 / 2005

Dear Mr. Libicki,

We would like to give you, our view on a letter from Mr. Patrick Nolan, Environmental Protection Agency EPA to Mr. Pat Fenton Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government DOEHLG.

Mr. Nolan states the licensing process is a quasi judicial one and it would be inappropriate for the agency to comment until the statutory process, laid down in the Waste Management Acts and supporting Licensing Regulations, for the determination of such applications has been completed. Why then did Mary Kelly Director General EPA write to Mr. Marcin Libicki, before such applications have been completed ?.

Mr. Nolan states the Commission's concerns regarding the validity of the application assessment are thus premature. First of all, the EPA has already made a yes proposed decision to put the landfill in the Nevitt. The Nevitt is confirmed as a water supply by an army of Hydro geologists, confirmed by the physical evidence and defined as a water supply under the Drinking Water Regulations 2007 S.I. No. 106. All the Industrial wells have not been recorded in this Aguifer but this

registration process should have been completed no later than four years after the entry into of the Directive on 22 Dec 2003. This is May 2008 and therefore the Irish Government is in BREACH of the Water Framework Directive by FIVE months. The supermarkets have all the industrial wells recorded and thousands of records. Why Mr. Nolan did your organization not asked for all these industrial wells to be recorded as REQUIRED BY LAW ?. It is obvious the Commissions concerns are not premature. Information by Mr Patrick Boyle, Engineer.

Mr. Nolan shows the agency have adopted an open and transparent approach to this process. The applicant has presented that 36500 litres of leachate [poison] will leak out of this proposed landfill every year. The applicant has also presented that they will use the water in the Aquifer to dilute the leachate [this is obviously contamination]. In Dr. Ian Marnane EPA Inspectors report, it states we recommend you do not use the water. Obviously, this proposed landfill is definitely open and transparent. How dare you people sacrifice this water supply.

> Mr. Nolan states I note from the commission letter that there is reference to a limited number of documents . He also states a complete set of documents is likely to be of assistance to the commission in forming any view as to the application assessment process .

First of all, you have not got a complete set of documents in relation to this project. For example you have not got :

- A mod flow or MP3D

- Depth of clay map [AGB4 only has 0.7 m of clay]
- An EIS of the huge Horticultural Industry
- A register of all the industrial wells
- A legal opinion on ownership of groundwater
- Results of a dye test
- Drill more wells along n/s fault line [ref GSI]
- An international river Basin District report on full Aquifer

- Obviously proper gravel and bedrock maps, remember the

 previous four sets have been incorrect, two Bord Pleannala, two EPA. The Environmental Impact Statement EIS with Bord Pleannalla is obsolete. The EIS has been changed and therefore legally you have two EIS. The EIS with the EPA is incorrect [fault lines, gravel maps, bedrock maps, well reports etc] and incomplete.
EPA inspector review his report and sign it [why did he

- not sign his previous report]?.
- Geological Survey of Ireland report on Aquifer
- Health Service Executive report
- Opinion from all Industrial well users [approximately 130]

Also there are more reports missing, for example a new fault line has been identified by Mr. Kevin Cullen hydro geologist and Mr. Patrick Boyle Engineer directly underneath this proposed landfill. So now we have two faults lines in the Nevitt extending into the public water supply ZOC, huge depths of gravel, highly fractured bedrock, large quantities of water flowing through the Nevitt, low depths of clay in parts of the Nevitt and questions raised about the permeability of the clay by Dr. Paul Ashley. Also, The river that flows through the Nevitt, eventually flows through Rogerstown estuary. The applicant has shown they will use this river. Rogerstown estuary is a protected designated site. A new order from the Department of Environment forces County Councils to heed a recent judgment from the European Court of Justice which found Ireland guilty of failing to properly protect Designated sites, such as Rogerstown estuary, [under Habitats Directive].

Mr. Nolan states my colleagues and I would of course be happy to meet with you [Mr. Fenton] and officials of the commission to explain the statutory process should this be helpful to them. We are Engineers, Scientists, Hydro geologists, farmers, business people etc and we would also BE HAPPY to meet with Mr. Fenton and the officials of the Commission to explain why the EPA wants to put a landfill in a perfectly good water supply as defined by the Drinking Water Regulations Act 2007 S.I. No. 106 and protected by the Water Framework Directive.

The European Commission is 100 % correct in asking that the Nevitt area be registered as a drinking water protected area to comply with Article 6 of Directive 2000/60/EC. The facts are ;

- an army of Hydro geologists show the area is a water supply
- the physical evidence proves the area is a water supply
- water that is used for processing of food is classified as
- water for human consumption, Drinking Water and the Regulations 2007 [huge Horticultural Industry].
 - to protect this area so that no future fools can put this water supply at risk ever again
 - this water supply is defined by the Drinking Water
 - Regulations 2007 S.I. No. 106
 - this water supply is protected by the water Framework Directive

A copy of this letter has been forwarded to the six people in the EPA who were present and connected in making a proposed decision to put a landfill in this water supply as defined by the Drinking Water Regulations 2007.

Dr. Padraic Larkin

Mr. Dara Lynott

Ms Laura Burke

Mr. Larry Stapleton

Mr. Jonathan Derham

Dr. Ian Marnane

Mary Kelly Director General of the EPA will also receive a copy of this letter.

[all above names have been confirmed by a letter from the EPA]

A copy of this letter is also being forwarded to

M.P. Carl D. Grant European Commission, Spanish ME^{ρ} David Hammerstein Mintz Mr Patrick Nolan EPA Mr. Pat Fenton DOEHLG Kathy Sinnott MEP Avril Doyle MEP Prionsios De Rossa MEP Mr. John Gormley Minister for Environment Trevor Sargent Minister for Food Eamon Ryan Minister for Natural Resourses David Rogers Irish Farmers Association of Ireland James Reilly Fine Gael Health Joanna Tuffy Labour Environment

Also enclose, a copy of the letter from Mr. Patrick Nolan to Mr. Fenton and a map of Fingal showing the water supplies.

Mr. Nolan , we will BE HAPPY to go through the National Court system and then we will go to the European Court Arena. We will be delighted to parade your six colleagues in the EPA, as the six Irish people who want to put a landfill in a perfectly good water supply as defined by the Drinking Water Regulations 2007 S.I. No. 106. The people of Fingal have suffered water shortages in the past, most European countries suffer water shortages, thousands of people die every year because of water shortages in the World. How dare you people

sacrifice this water supply. We are asking the EC to launch a full investigation into the Irish EPA in relation to this project. No water supplies should be sacrificed in any country in the World.

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