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Re: Application Register Number - W0021-02

Response to Notice in accordance with Article 14(2)(b)(ii) of the Waste Management (Licensing) Regulations, in respect of a review application for Derrinumera Landfill (Applicant Mayo County Council)

Dear Ms Bolger,

County Wexford

Your correspondence dated 29th May 2008 refers, which relates to a request for CDROMs and/or correspondence in a revised format to that which was submitted previously.

In respect of the above application, we originally responded to an Article 14(2)(b)(ii) Notice issued by Ms Maeve McHugh, Inspector, dated 13th March 2008, by submission to the Agency to the Agency on 12th May 2008 (received by the Agency on 13th May).

Subsequent to this we were contacted by Ms. Sonia Smith of EPA Iniscarra to say that some of the information, relating to the Newport EIS prepared by others, copied onto our CDROMs of the Article 14(2)(b)(ii) reply, was incorrectly scanned, with page numbers out of numerical sequence. (This specifically related to the Newport Sewerage Scheme Environmental Impact Statement Volume 3 Appendices, which had been prepared by Mott MacDonald Pettit which formed part of the reply). Sixteen (16) copies of the TOBIN Article 14(2)(b)(ii) Response on CDROM, together with a separate set of CDROMs containing the above mentioned corrected EIS was submitted to

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the Agency on the 21st May 2008 (with further CDROMs submitted on the following day, as the first set were partially damaged in transit).

The latest correspondence received from the Agency, referred to in the first paragraph of this correspondence, relates to a further request for information, to be resubmitted in a new revised format in accordance with the Agency's 'Application Guidance Note'. More specifically the correspondence stated the following:

"....I am to advise that the correspondence and disks as submitted are not in accordance with the Agency's 'Application Guidance Note' (see www.EPA.ie for information). Therefore the Agency is unable to fulfill its requirements under the Regulations to maintain the public file and publish the information to its website...."

Having received this correspondence this morning, we have since contacted both the Agency's Licensing Unit and the Inspector in charge of the application. We are aware that both Ms. Smith and Ms Bolger, who normally deal with this application, are currently on leave and will not be contactable in the coming days and as such we are unable to ascertain the exact nature of the amendments required. Having discussed this by telephone, on advice of the Agency, we will await Ms. Smith's return before submitting any further data, in order that we can establish the exact issues arising from the previous submissions and properly rectify them.

Your letter does not mention any time limit on our resolution of these issues, however, should the Agency expect a response to be submitted prior to Ms Smith's return, we would appreciate you letting us know, so we do not inadverted whiss any deadline.

We wish to thank the Agency for the assistance, which we received to date with regard to the above application. As stated above, we will be in contact with Ms. Smith on her return later this month regarding the required submission of information, on the basis of advice received from the Agency today. If you have any queries or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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