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5th January 2009

Ewa Babiarczyk Inspector Environmental Licensing Programme Office of Climate, Licensing and Resource Use Environmental Protection Agency Headquarters. PO Box 3000 Johnstown Castle Estate County Wexford.

<u>Re: Review of existing Waste Licence Reg No W0020-01 FOR Scotch</u> Corner Landfill, Letterbane, Annyalla, Castleblayney, Co. Monaghan.

Dear Ewa,

I refer to your letter dated 15th December 2008 in relation to the above mentioned matter.

Since I spoke to Dr. Jonathan Dernam on 21st November I discussed our proposed license review with Martin Murray, Senior Engineer, and we have decided to proceed with a "partial" or "limited" review of our landfill license:

Essentially, we wish to proceed with the review but we now do not intend to amend Schedule A of our existing licence which states that the quantity of wastes to be accepted does not exceed 39,500 <u>i.e.</u> Monaghan County Council is <u>not</u> seeking to increase its licence tonnage limit from 39,500 tonnes to 59,250 tonnes. As a result, Monaghan County Council is of the opinion that an EIS is consequently not required as the license tonnage limit is to remain at 39,500 tonnes.

Under the partial review, which we are now proposing, we are applying under Article 12 (3) (a) Waste Management (Licensing) Regulations for a review of Waste License 20-1 on the following grounds:

1. The final contours of the landfill site need to be revised and levels adjusted due to ambiguity of levels in Condition 4 of the Waste Licence (20-1). The final contour plan does not take the Material Recovery Facility (MRF) into account and therefore requires revision. Also, the Waste License states "the finished level of the facility shall not exceed 114m OD (Malin Head)". This final level was determined based on the assumption that the landfill site was originally 97.8m OD (Malin Head). The true original level of the site was 124.8m OD. It is therefore suggested that the finished level of the facility be adjusted accordingly and not exceed 144.2m OD (Malin Head).

 Monaghan County Council is also requesting that the EPA consider amending Condition 3 of the Waste Licence to include for the provision of a Mechanical Biological Treatment (MBT) plant. It is proposed that this facility will cater for the removal of recyclables and fines from the residual bin. The compostable fines will undergo appropriate in-vessel composting at the Scotch Corner landfill site.

3. The North East Waste Management Plan (2005-2010) recommends the introduction of a 3 bin collection service. The proposed EU Biowaste Directive also promotes this. To adequately facilitate the treatment of organic waste and green waste, it is requested that EPA consider amending Condition 5.8.2.2, which states "that the quantity of biodegradable waste to be composted shall not exceed 2,000 tonnes per annum". It is requested that this figure be increased to 10,000 tonnes per annum.

Essentially our application for this partial review is as per our application which was received by the agency on 18th September 200**7** except for the fact that Monaghan County Council is not now seeking to increase its annual tonnage license limit from 39,500 to 59,250 tonnes.

On a final note I would like to point out that under Article 12 (1) (b) the contact person to which all correspondence and communication is to be directed has now changed. The up to date details are as follows:

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Should you require any clarification or any further information please contact met on 047-30592.

Yours Sincerely.

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