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Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Climate, Licensing and Resource Use, PO Box 3000, Johnstown Castle Estate, Co. Wexford.

<u>Re: Review of Licence W0012-02 for Kinsale Road Landfill by Cork City</u></u> <u>Council.</u>

I am seriously concerned at the potential effect of this continuance of the activities of the Kinsale Road Landfill which was due to crose by July 2009. The present operations of the site has led to infestations of flies in the area. The most recent of these over the past few weeks has been more severe than summer infestations with some classrooms having over 100 flies. As we have a no eating and drinking in classrooms policy the infestation was not contributed to in any e=way in the school itself. This recent infestation in relatively cool weather was reported in many local newspapers and on other media

The health hazard presented by flies as a vector for many diseases makes any level of flies in a school unacceptable. The level of risk presented by the infestations caused by the Kinsale Road Landfill operation is at an exceptionally high level. The continued use of this site in a built up urban area is foolhardy.

I ask that the EPA insist on the closure of the Kinsale Landfill site and its conversion to a public amenity.

Yours sincerely,

Bernard Horgan, Principal