

BORD NA MÓNA ENERGY LIMITED Leabeg, Tullamore, Co Offaly

Srahmore Waste Licence W199-1 Annual Environmental Report

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#### 1. Introduction

#### **1.1. Report Period**

This Annual Environmental Report covers the period of 01/01/05 to 31/12/05 for the Srahmore Peat Repository at Attavally, Bangor-Erris, Co Mayo. In addition this AER contains a report of the period from the licence issue date and the end of that calendar year (29/10/04 - 31/12/04).

This is the first Annual Environmental Report for Bord na Mona's Peat Repository at Srahmore, Attavally, Bangor-Erris, Co Mayo. The structure and contents of this report are based on the requirements of Schedule D Reports & AER Content.

# 1.2. Waste Licence Register Number - W199-1 1.3. Operator & Address of Facility. Bord na Mona Energy Ltd Srahmore, Attavally Bangor-Erris Co Mayo

#### 1.4. Environmental Policy (attached on next page)



#### **Environmental Policy Statement**

Bord Na Mona Energy Limited is a commercial semi-state body with responsibility to develop Ireland's peat resources in the national interest.

Bord Na Mona Energy Limited is committed to gather and make available information on all aspects of its environmental impact and to help improve understanding among the public generally of its role and of the importance of Irish peatlands.

Bord Na Mona Energy Limited recognises the importance of peatland conservation. Bord Na Mona Energy Limited with leave behind all areas it owns as either an

economically or socially integrated resource of high environmental value.

Bord Na Mona Energy Limited seeks to conduct all aspects of its business in an environmentally sensitive manner.

Bord Na Mona Energy Limited will establish an environmental management system specifically addressing the following impacts:

- Discharges to water •
- Emissions to atmosphere •
- Waste disposal •
- Use of natural resources
- Noise, vibration, odour, dust and visual effects •
- Natural environmental and eco-system •

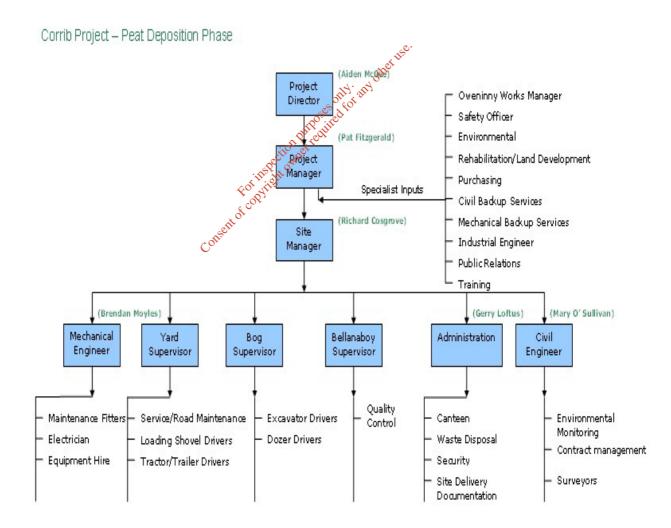
The environmental management system will be monitored, maintained and continually improved.

A system of regular environmental audits will be put in place.

Bord Na Mona Energy Limited will continue research and development(R&D) into all aspects of its environmental impact.

This statement is published and is available at all locations within the section and its contents are brought to the attention of all employees

#### 1.5. Current Management Structure



#### 2. Waste Management Report

#### 2.1. Site Description

The site is situated approximately 1km northwest of the village Bangor-Erris and comprises cutover peatland in the Oweninny bog complex. This consists of eight separate areas of cutover peatland, numbered 1 - 8, each of which was assessed for suitability for the development. Area 5 was selected as the peat reception area. Area 6 was selected for the actual deposition of peat and a section of Area 7 is utilised as a "controlled overflow area" in the event of exceedance of the design rainfall. The peat reception area is utilised for offloading of the peat is the closest area to the public road.

The site is a peat disposal area for the placement of c. 450,000m<sup>3</sup> of peat waste excavated from the development of the Shell Corrib Gas Field Terminal at the nearby Bellanaboy Bridge site. The peat, which is from a 3000 to 5000 year old Atlantic Blanket Bog, is transported by road in trucks to the Srahmore deposit area. It was originally anticipated that peat transport and deposit would take place over a 6 month period, spread out over two seasons. However, peat transport and deposit ceased on the 4<sup>th</sup> July 2005, and as of that date, 112,937tonnes were transported to and deposited at the site. Details of all waste activities, from date of the first waste accepted to cessation of activities on the 4<sup>th</sup> July 2005 are included in Appendix 1.

As of the preparation of this AER for 2005, the recommencement date of operations at the site is unknown. Therefore it is not possible to estimate when the final capacity is to be reached.

As of the final delivery and deposition of peat to the site on 04/07/05, the remaining capacity is 337,063 tonnes. A map detailing the status of each bay is included in Appendix 2.

During the full operations at the site, up to 126 personnel were employed in the following areas:

BNM (support)	8	General	24	Security	4
		Operatives			
BNM	2	Fitters	5	Environmental	1
(Engineering)					
Head Office Staff	2	Electricians	1	Archaeological	-
Site Office Staff	2	Site Supervisors	4	Canteen	3
Drivers	70	Contractors	-		
		Total			126

Machine	Number	Operator
Excavators	20	BNM
Dozers	6	BNM
Tractors	28	BNM
Quads	4	BNM
Loading Shovels	3	BNM

Plant on site during all operations are as follows:

#### 3. Environmental Emissions of the Activity

#### 3.1. Emissions to Atmosphere Summary

The only potential emissions to the atmosphere from the activities on site are dust. As required by Condition 8.8.1, locations for dust monitoring around the site were agreed with the Agency, and Bergerhoff Dust gauges were installed.

During peat deposition activities, which commenced on the 18<sup>th</sup> April, the dust gauges were monitored every 28 – 32 days. During this period 35 samples were taken from the 5 dust sensitive locations, with 3 of the samples exceeding the Emission Limit Value (350 mg/m<sup>3</sup>/day). These exceedance's were reported to the agency with corrective actions in place. The dust gauges have since been removed, as peat deposition has been suspended. These will be replaced prior to re-commencement of peat deposition.

Results for the 5 dust gauges are included in Appendix 3.

Non-Compliances:

Monitoring Point	Emission (mg/m³/day)	Corrective Action
DM-02	422	SR-CA/002
DM-03	894	SR-CA/004
DM-03	1181	SR-CA/006

Procedures regarding dust suppression and dust monitoring are in place on site.

#### 3.2. Emissions to Water Summary

Emissions to water from the site takes place at 3 locations:

Licence Emission Ref. No	SW No
S5-1	SW100
S5-2	SW101
Location 7 (combined from Area 5/6)	SW4

As required by Schedule C (2.2) the following parameters were monitored during peat deposition, from February to October. After this period, when peat deposition was suspended, a revised monitoring regime was agreed with the agency, until peat deposition recommences.

Parameter	Continuous	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Quarterly
Flow	SW4				
рН			SW4,100 &101		
Conductivity	SW4		SW100 & 101		
COD			SW40100 &		
BOD		only	Tall		SW4
Suspended Solids		SWAC	SW100 & 101		
TDS		Pureding	SW4		
Nitrite (as N)	al and a second s	tionner		SW4	
Nitrate (as N)	Thep	t or		SW4	
Ammonia (as N)	FOTVIE		SW4, 100 & 101		
Total Phosphorus	~			SW4	
Oils, fats &	Consentor				SW4
greases	C <sup>e</sup>				

Emissions from SW4 are monitored using a flow proportional composite sampler, which operates on a continuous basis. Here a sample bottle is filled over a 24 hour period and sent to Complete Laboratory Services for analysis. The compliance requirements at SW4 are as follows:

8/10 consecutive results, calculated as daily mean concentration or mass emission values on the basis of flow proportional composite sampling, shall not exceed the emission limit value. No individual result similarly calculated shall exceed 1.2 times the emission limit value

Emissions from SW100 & 101 are sampled by grab sample on a weekly basis and sent to the lab for analysis. The compliance requirements at SW100 ^ 101 are as follows:

No grab sample value shall exceed 1.2 times the emission limit value.

The emission limit value (ELV) attached to emissions to water from the site is 35mg/l suspended solids.

Results for the 3 emission points are in Appendix 4.

Non-compliances:

Monitoring Point	Emission (SS mg/l)	ELV (mg/l)	Corrective Action
SW4	65	42	SR-CA/001
SW4	71, 49 & 71	42	SR-CA/003
SW101	72	42	SR-CA/003
SW4	62, 92 & 81	42	SR-CA/005
SW4	210	42	SR-CA/007
SW101	228	42	SR-CA/007
SW4	54	42	SR-CA/009
SW4	45	42	SR-CA/010

#### 3.3 Ambient Monitoring.

#### **River-water Monitoring:**

other use. Schedule C (6) requires monthly monitoring for Suspended Solids and Ammonia at two locations on the Munhin River, upstream and down stream of the discharge from Location 7 (SW4). The average suspended solids upstream of the discharge from the site was 9.6 mg/l, while the downstream average was 7.5 mg/l over the 10 month monitoring period.

The average ammonia levels upstream of the discharge are .0114mg/l to .0354 mg/l downstream. These results would be typical of levels found in peatland catchments and are well below the Maximum Allowable Concentration (0.23 mg/l)

This would indicate that the Srahmore Peat Repository activities are having no negative effect on the suspended solids content of the river.

Results of the analysis is attached in Appendix 5.

In addition Biological Quality (Q) rating/Q index is required annually. This was carried out, in agreement with the Agency, on the 17/09/05, by AMGC Environmental Agricultural Consultancy. Assessment was carried out upstream and downstream of the discharge from the site, to establish a Q index for both locations and identify any change in water quality.

The results obtained show an improvement in water quality from the sample location upstream of the discharge and sample location downstream of the discharge. Upstream results indicate a Q3 – Q3/4 (Class C Moderately polluted) while downstream show Q3-4 (Class B Slightly polluted). These results would indicate that the operations have had little or no effect on the Aquatic Ecology of the River. A copy of the report is maintained on file.

#### Groundwater Monitoring:

Condition 8.10 required the installation of a groundwater monitoring network at the site, in accordance with Agency guidelines. This required one uphydraulic gradient, one down gradient of the peat reception area, and two down gradient of the peat deposition area.

Only one borehole survived from the initial site investigation, so this involved the installation of three addition boreholes, by Irish drilling Ltd between March  $21^{st}$  and  $29^{th}$ .

Sampling of the boreholes was carried out on the 13/04/05 and the 07/06/05, with the results attached in Appendix 6.

As can be noted, the first round of sampling indicated high COD levels from both the shallow and deeper boreholes even before peat deposition commenced. These were taken directly after the boreholes were installed and the sampling produced samples with high sediment levels. The second round of sampling showed significantly lower COD levels and occurred after the wells had been pumped clear of all fresh sedment.

Groundwater monitoring will be carried out again, bi-annually, in 2006, once Noise Monitoring Report Station Performer tion peat deposition recommences.

#### 3.4

Condition 8.11 of the licence requires a noise survey to be carried out during weeks 2, 6 & 12. Due to the on-going difficulties at the Bellanaboy Site, peat deposition only took place on weeks 1, 5, 6, 9, 10 & 11. Based on the daily and weekly stop/start nature of the peat deposition, it was not possible to carry out a survey on weeks 2 & 6.

The first noise survey took place on week 10, on the 20<sup>th</sup> June 2005. This survey was carried out by Bord na Mona Environmental Ltd in accordance with the requirements of the licence and the methodology specified in the 'Environmental Noise Survey Guidance Document'. The noise survey took place at the same three Noise Sensitive Locations used in the EIA.

NRA – At site entrance from the R313.

NRB – North/West of the site on the R313 at a dwelling.

NRC - West of the site, close to Bangor-Erris Village

Results from the noise survey indicate that while noise levels monitored at the three locations were above the emission limits specified in Schedule B of the licence, it was not due to the activities on the site.

The  $L_{eq}$  dB(A) levels at the three sites from 18:30 to 21:00, when operations at the site had ceased, were the same as at 07:00 – 09:00, when the site was operating.

The report indicates that the main sources responsible for the high levels were traffic on the R313 and the N59. This was during the morning and evening periods, and while noise was recorded coming from the safety reversing alarms of the site machines, the overall results and observations indicated that the activity does not have any undesirable impacts on the existing neighbouring noise environment.

Map Ref.	Period (mins)	L <sub>eq</sub> dB(A)	L <sub>10</sub> dB(A)	L <sub>90</sub> dB(A)	L <sub>Max</sub> dB(A)	
NRA (07:00 – 09:00)	30	72	72	49	94	
NRA (16:30 – 18:30)	30	69	69	53	89	
NRA (18:30 – 21:00)	30	72	75	46	90	
NRB (07:00 – 09:00)	30	69	72	45	87	
NRB (16:30 – 18:30)	30	68	70	49	86	
NRB (18:30 – 21:00)	30	69	73	41	89	
NRC (07:00 – 09:00)	30	48	off 51	40	72	
NRC (16:30 – 18:30)	30	4901 0	51	45	77	
NRC (18:30 – 21:00)	30	4801	51	43	64	
NRC (07:00 - 09:00)         30         48         41         33           NRC (07:00 - 09:00)         30         48         01051         40         72           NRC (16:30 - 18:30)         30         4900         51         45         77           NRC (18:30 - 21:00)         30         4900         51         43         64						

A copy of the report is available for inspection at the site office.

#### 3.5 **Resource & Energy Consumption**

A Resource & Energy Consumption Summary is included in Appendix 7.

There were a number of actions in 2005, which assisted in reducing energy consumption. These included:

1. The site lights were fitted with Photocell's which allowed the lights to automatically come on at dusk and turn off at dawn.

Result: A reduction in Electricity usage.

2. The diesel generator used to power the site was replaced with an electricity connection from the ESB.

Result: A reduction in diesel usage.

Actions planned for 2006 include:

- tions planned for 2006 include: 1. A new road layout plan has been produced which aims to reduce the travel time of the tractor and trailer whits. This, if successful will result in a reduction in diesel use/tonne of peat deposited.
- 2. Addition resources will be applied to the Maintenance Programme. This will allow for the efficient maintenance of the plant fleet, resulting in more fuel efficiency. All plant in operation at the facility are new, so the fuel efficiencies of the plant are optimised.

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#### 4 Environmental Management System

#### 4.1 Management & Reporting Structure

This is included in section 1.5 and details the current management & reporting structure.

#### 4.2 Schedule of Environmental Objectives & Targets

This sets out the schedule of objectives as proposed by Condition 2.2.2.2.

Objective	Target
1. Minimisation of suspended solids	Assessment of suspended solids generation during peat deposition during the first two months and setting a programme for its reduction
2. Reduction of fugitive dust	Establish the levels of dust generation during peat deposition during the first two months and setting a programme for its reduction.
3. Protection of dust sensitive areas	Establish the levels of dust nuisance at the three dust sensitive locations during the first two months of monitoring and setting a programme for the protection of these areas
4. Reuse of silt pond waste	Monitor the levels of silt pond waste cleanings at the 7 silt ponds and swale locations over the peat deposition period and establish a reuse option.
<ol> <li>Effective spill leak management of Mobile fuelling units</li> </ol>	Comply with all of the condition of the licence in relation to operation and maintenance of all mobile fuelling operations, and assess its effectiveness after 3 months operation.
<ol> <li>Management of dangerous substances</li> </ol>	Comply with the conditions of licence relating to oil and diesel storage, bunding and recycling and review after 2 months operation
<ol> <li>Management of silt pond flow discharges</li> </ol>	Comply with the conditions of the licence in relation to the management of silt pond flow discharges during high rainfall events and assess its effectiveness after two months operation.
<ol> <li>Reuse of stone used in internal haul-road construction</li> </ol>	Investigate any potential re-uses for the geotextile and stone used in the construction of the internal; haul-roads, either on site or in the locality.

#### 4.3 Environmental Management Programme Report.

## Minimisation of Suspended Solids (EMP1)

Activity/Emission	Objective	Target Date	Target	Persons
OT1 Emission of suspended Solids	Minimisation of suspended Solids	On-going programme during the life of the project and as part of aftercare & maintenance.	To comply with Conditions 8.9.1, 8.9.3 & 8.9.4. a programme of weekly inspections of all drainage and subsequent waste treatments systems, daily inspections of discharges to receiving waters and the regulation and monitoring of all silt generating activities will be put in-place. This will be used for establishing the cleaning roster. These systems will be assessed on an ongoing basis for the first two months of peat deposition, to assess the degree of suspended solids generation, and this along with the daily results for SS from the Composite Sampler will be used to establish targets for the reduction of Suspended Solids	Responsible Site Manager & Environmental Manager
			Status: Daily & weekly inspections are being carried out as per the condition of the licence. These along with SS results have yielded a profile of the silt ponds and their effectiveness. Additional silt pond capacity has been provided, with more efficient utilisation of the controlled overflow area (area 7).	

# Reduction of fugitive dust (EMP2)

Activity/Emission	Objective	Target Date	Target	Person Responsible
OT2 Fugitive dust emissions	Reduction of fugitive dust emissions during all operations	On-going programme during the life of the project.	This programme will establish the degree of dust generation during the first two months of peat deposition. Peat delivery, tipping on the peat reception area, loading into the trailers and deposition into the bays will be examined along with any dust suppression methods employed and the appropriate Dust Handling Procedure. This will include the first two months of dust monitoring. The results of these assessments will be used to establish targets for reduction of fugitive dust emissions. Status: This programme and condition 8.8.1. has resulted in the provision of dust gauges at dust sensitive locations (see section 3.1 Emissions to Atmosphere). The main sources of dust from the site is the access road and peat deposition roads. The operations to date have resulted in exceedance's in dust levels on three occasions, with an overall compliance rate of 92%. With the current dust suppression measures in place for next year, BNM are confident that the compliance levels will be at 100%	Site Manager & Environmental Manager

# Protection of dust sensitive areas. (EMP3)

Activity/Emission	Objective	Target Date	Target	Person Responsible
OT3 Fugitive dust emissions	Protection of Dust sensitive areas.	On-going programme during the life of the project.	Based of the results of the initial two months dust monitoring at the five dust sensitive locations, a programme of protection of dust sensitive locations will be examined. This will address any measures to be put in- place, such as the planting of trees, or any special measures to be put in place to protect any areas that exceed the ELV of 350 mgm²/day. Status: There have been no complaints regarding dust received at the site. This along with the high level of compliance indicate that dust from the site is not a significant nuisance to any neighbours of the operations, and protection of dust sensitive location is not necessary. This programme will be kept under review.	Site Manager & Environmental Manager

# Reuse of silt pond wastes (EMP4)

Activity/Emission	Objective	Target Date	Target	Person Responsible
OT4 Reuse of Silt Pond Waste	The reuse of all silt pond wastes.	On-going programme during the life of the project.	As the silt wastes generated form the cleaning and maintenance of silt ponds S5-1, S5-2, Area 5 & Area 6 silt ponds are directly as a result of peat deposition, they will either be used in the Bog & Peat Deposition Area rehabilitation & aftercare, or will be incorporated into the existing bays once deposition is complete. Regardless of the final use, all silt wastes will be moved away from the immediate area of the pond following cleaning, within 5 days, to prevent re-entrainment.	Site Manager & Environmental Manager Site Manager & Environmental Manager
		Consent of copyright owne	Status: As all peat wastes accepted and generated at the site are for landfilling purposes, there is no further use for the silt pond cleanings. These will be incorporated into the peat deposited or if off benefit will be used in the final rehabilitation.	

Activity/Emission	Objective	Target Date	Target	Person Responsible
OT5 Management of mobile Fuelling units	Effective spill/leak management of mobile fuelling units.	On-going programme during the life of the project.	To comply with conditions 3.17, 3.19 and 3.20, the two mobile fuelling units will be stored in a bunded location, with an oil spill kit in-place. Fuelling nozzles will be fitted with overflow shut- off mechanisms, auto fill clips will be disabled. All personnel will be made aware through training, of the Oil/Diesel Loading Procedure & the Emergency Response Procedure. Shortened versions of the procedures will be posted on the tanks and at the bunded storage tocation. All service wagons will be inspected before use and bi-annually there after. Leaks, flaws, necessary repair etc, will be reported to the Site Manager. All the above will be in-place before peat deposition commences, and will be re-assessed as to its effectiveness every 3 months. The out come of these assessments will determine any improvements to be made and target dates to achieve them. Status: One diesel spillage occurred from one of the mobile bunded fuelling tanks. This was reported to the Agency. This was due to operator error on behalf of the external diesel delivery contractor. Other than this incident, the operation of these bunded mobile fuelling units has been successful. This project will continually assess its effectiveness and propose any	Site Manager & Environmental Manager

improvements.

# Management of dangerous substances (EMP6)

Activity/Emission	Objective	Target Date	Target	Person Responsible
OT6 Management of dangerous substances List I & List II	To manage of any dangerous substances as listed in I & II of the Dangerous Substances Directive 80/68/EEC	On-going programme during the life of the project.	<ul> <li>The only substances from Lists I &amp; II of the Dangerous Substances Directive (76/464/EEC and 80/68/EEC and amendments) are List I (7) Mineral Oils and Hydrocarbons. The management of these will include:</li> <li>(1). Pollution Prevention as required by Conditions 3.13 – 3.21. This includes the safe storage of diesels/oil/Filters and protection of ground and surface water during fuelling operations.</li> <li>(2). Pollution Control: Maintenance of diesel/oil interceptors as required by Conditions 8.9.1 &amp; 8.9.2</li> <li>All of these measures will be in-place before peat deposition commences.</li> <li>A review will be carried out after the first two months operation and every 3 months thereafter, to assess the effectiveness of programme OT6.</li> <li>A programme of improvement will be implemented once the operational performance of the management of diesels &amp; oils has been assessed.</li> </ul>	Site Manager & Environmental Manager

Status: The oil interceptors insta site include 3 Klargester units. T are installed downstream of the are operating successfully. They been fitted with alarms, which in they require cleaning. The opera maintenance of these units is or	hese units grit trap and have also dicate when tion and
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# Management of silt pond flow discharges (EMP7)

Activity/Emission Objective Target Date Target %					
			11. 21. 21. 10. 10. 10. 10. 10. 10. 10. 10. 10. 1	Responsible	
OT7 Effective management of Silt pond flow discharges	Effective management of flow discharges during periods of high precipitation and flooding.	On-going programme during the life of the project.	As is required by Conditions 3.11 & 3.12, all silt ponds must achieve specific design criteria i.e. max flow velocity <10 cm <sup>-1</sup> and min. 75m <sup>3</sup> /nett ha of bog. Flow regulators must also be fitted to ensure the design flow capacity is not exceeded. The drainage system has been designed to a rainfall event of 31 mm, which equates to a 100 year storm event of 1 hours rainfall. As the preferred option for the drainage management was the controlled discharge of water from the drains to the swale to the silt ponds, appropriate flow regulators will be in- place to ensure the design flow of each of the silt ponds is not exceeded during heavy rainfall and that any excess runoff generated is discharged to the overflow area (Area 7).	Site Manager & Environmental Manager	

	Condition 3.4 requires a construction quality assurance validation to be completed on the surface water drainage/control/treatment works. This will include an assessment of the performance of the silt ponds and will assess its compliance with the stated maximum flow velocity < 10 cms <sup>-1</sup> The drainage system will be monitored over the first two months of operation to assess if it can be improved. Status: Based on SS results from Location 7 (SW4) and from SW100 & 101, silt control during heavy rainfall can be a problem. Based on this, overflow pumps have been installed as part of corrective action.
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# Reuse of road building materials (EMP8)

Activity/Emission	Objective	Target Date Conser	Target	Person Responsible
OT8 Road materials re-use	Reuse of stone used in internal haul-road construction.	As stated in the EIS, the decommissioning plan for the internal haul road network would envisage it occurring at the end of the stabilisation period (5 yrs after deposition has been completed). There may also be a requirement to leave these roads in-place as part of the after use of the	All materials used in the internal haul road construction will be either recycled or reused. The Geotextile will be collected for reuse within BNM for under rail lines, or recycled through a licensed contractor. The 300mm of crushed stone will be recycled through one of the following: 1. As internal service roads to a Proposed Wind Farm Development at Oweninny.	Site Manager & Environmental Manager

deposition area.	<ol> <li>As construction material on an alternative site.</li> <li>Through an appropriate recycling contractor.</li> <li>Placement at the base of the toe drains to assist in drainage.</li> </ol>	
	Status: This project will commence once peat deposition is completed.	

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#### 4.4 Environmental Management Programme Proposal.

The proposal for 2006 is to continue with the existing EMP Objectives and Targets due to the short duration of the remaining peat deposition.

#### 4.5 Silt Pond Inspection & Desilting Report.

The 7 silt ponds treating waste water from the Srahmore site were cleaned once during the peat deposition period. (see table below).

Pond Number	Date Cleaned
SP 1	21/04/05
SP 2a	02/09/05
SP 2b	02/09/05
SP 3a	02/09/05
SP 3b	02/09/05
SP S5-1	02/09/05
SP S5-2	02/09/05

Inspections of the silt ponds are carried out weekly on the log attached in Appendix 7. A full log of all inspections is maintained at the site office, and this along with SS results obtained form the silt ponds form the basis for the cleaning roster. Due to the fact that peat delivery only took place for 6-7 weeks of 2005, the cleaning requirements were significantly reduced.

The monitoring roster is maintained on site.

#### 5 Site Development Works.

# 5.1 Summary of main changes/developments/works & planned works for 2006.

#### Post Deposition 2005.

1. Lining of exposed section of link drain from reception area. Exposed subsoil covered with 1mm lining to prevent colloidal material entering silt ponds.

2. Lining of exposed section of Swale

Exposed subsoil covered with 1mm lining to prevent colloidal material entering silt ponds

3. Site perimeter fencing. Sections of site open to public access fenced off.

4. Silt pond access fencing.

Access to silt ponds restricted by 2m chainlink fence due to safety concerns

5. Installation of Water Pumps

To assist with drainage of site and used for flow control into area 7.

#### Pre Deposition 2006.

1. Drainage of area around wheel wash tanks.

To prevent buoyancy of tanks during exchanging of water.

#### 6 Waste received and consigned from the Facility

#### 6.1 Non-hazardous waste received by the facility.

		Non-Hazardous Waste Received				
Waste Description	EWC Code	On-site Disp	On-site Recovery			
		Method	Tonnes	Method	Tonnes	
PEAT Grit Trap Waste Wheel Wash	17 05 04 13 05 01	Deposit on Land	8 <sup>ee</sup> 113,227 1.5	No	ne	
Waste	06 05 03	Deposit on Land	5			

# 6.2 Hazardous waste received by the facility.

		Hazardous Waste Received			
Waste Description	EWC Code	On-site Disposal		On-site Recovery	
		Method	Tonnes	Method	Tonnes
		No	ne		

## 6.3 Non-hazardous waste sent off-site for Recovery/Disposal.

Waste Description	EWC Code	Tonnes	Details of Haulage Contractor	Recovery /Disposal	Name & Address of recovery/Disposal Site
Canteen Waste	20 01 08	2.82	Mayo County Council	Disposal	Rathroeen, Killala Rd, Ballina, Co. Mayo
DenenMaste	45 04 04	0.00	Leftus Desuelies	Dectuso	Loftus Recycling, Farrandeelion, Ballina, Co.
Paper Waste	15 01 01	0.02	Loftus Recycling	Recovery	Mayo
Cardboard Waste	15 01 01	0.26	Loftus Recycling	Recovery	Loftus Recycling, Farrandeelion, Ballina, Co. Mayo
	10 01 01	0.20	TRONG TROUGHTING	recovery	Ballina Wastewater Treatment Works, Belleek,
Septic Tank	20 03 04	26	Asethetic Services	Disposal	Ballina, Co. Mayo
Site Construction			-Recti owne	•	McGrath Industrial Waste Ltd, Turlough,
Cleanup	17 09 04	1.5	McGrath Industrial Waste	Disposal	Castlebar, Co.Mayo
			્રેજરે		Peat Deposition Site, Srahmore, Bangor Eris, Co.
Grit Trap Waste	13 05 01	1.5	Bord na Móna Energy ttd	Disposal	Мауо
		_	Const		Peat Deposition Site, Srahmore, Bangor Eris, Co.
Wheel Wash Waste	06 05 03	5	Bord na Móna Energy ttd	Disposal	Мауо

## 6.4 Hazardous waste sent off-site for Recovery/Disposal

Consignment	Date of	Description of	EWC	Tonnes	Details of Haulage Contractor	Disposal/	Name & Address of Recovery/		
Note/TFS Note Number	Dispatch	Waste	Code			Recovery	Disposal site		
2109599	03/01/2006	Waste Oil	13 02 05	0.75	Atlas Oil Ltd	Recovery	Atlas Oil Ltd Portlaoise Co Laois Safety Kleen Ireland		
B 205654	12/07/2005	Oil Filters Oil spill &	16 01 07	0.27	Safety Kleen, Feland Ltd	Recovery/Disposal	Ltd Unit 5, Airton Rd, Tallaght, Dublin 24		
B 200719	04/05/2005	Peat	13 07 01	1.139	Atlas Oil Ltd	Disposal	Atlas Oil Ltd Portlaoise Co Laois		
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#### 7 Environmental Incidents & Complaints.

#### 7.1 **Reported Incidents Summary.**

Date	Nature of Incident	Cause	<b>Corrective Action</b>
22/04/2005	Hydraulic oil spill on concrete reception pad	Rupture of hydraulic hose on tipping lorry.	Spill contained and treated with oil absorbent mats. Contaminated materials disposed off by Atlas oil Ltd. SR-EI/001
02/11/2005	Diesel spill from fuel lorry filling site fuel bowser.	Overfill of fuel bowser and diesel sprayed out from breather cap over bunded tank	Spill contained in grit trap before oil interceptors. Oil booms and absorbent mats used to contain and capture material for disposal. SR-CA/008

#### Reported Complaints Summary 7.2

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#### 8 **Review of Nuisance Controls.**

The nuisance controls at the site only include dust suppression and pest control.

Pest control is provided by Pestguard Environmental Services, and involves the installation of bait boxes at various locations around the site office and canteen facilities. As the only waste accepted at the facility is peat, there is no other requirements regarding the control of pests e.g. bird control. This service is being retained on site for the 2006 season.

Dust suppression is carried out at the site as inspections and observations dictate. The Dust Handling Procedure (DHP) is used to establish when and where dust suppression is required, and was utilised during 2005. This operation will continue once peat deposition re-commences in 2006.

#### 9 **Review of Rehabilitation Plan.**

Rehabilitation at the Srahmore site is outlined in the Rehabilitation Plan for the Srahmore Peat Deposition Area and Associated Facilities (Feb 2005). The main criteria<sup>1</sup> defining successful rehabilitation of the Srahmore PDA and associated facility are: only any o

- Stabilisation of the deposited peat<sup>2</sup> (i)
- Mitigation of silt run-off (ii)

Natural revegetation processes are cutlined as the BAT for rehabilitation of the Srahmore site. Results so far indicate that vegetation establishes rapidly on the deposited peat. It is anticipated that the plant roots will bind the introduced peat layer, altering the peat structure to create a homogeneous peat mass thereby stabilising the peat.

#### 9.1 Vegetation assessment

#### **Deposition Area**

The deposition area comprises access routes on high fields, peat deposition area and drainage channels. To date, approximately 20% of the deposition area has been covered with peat. The peat was deposited and levelled between high fields using long-reach excavators. The final shaping allows for run-off into drainage channels with the peat remaining undisturbed to facilitate natural revegetation processes.

Within weeks the deposited peat was colonised by a flush of soft rush Juncus effusus seedlings. Other plants colonising included bulbous rush Juncus bulbosus and sorrel Rumex acetosella. The soft rush tussocks form the dominant character of the vegetation with inter-tussock spaces of patchy plant

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> These are the basic criteria as identified in the consultation process for development of The Rehabilitation Plan for the entire Oweninny Works.

Stabilisation of these areas infers revegetation. Once stabilised there will be no potential peat run-off from the site, which will cover the second criterion for successful rehabilitation.

cover (Fig. 1). The cover of this pioneer vegetation is continuous over the entire area of deposited peat.



Fig. 1. Overview of the vegetation establishing on peat deposited at the Srahmore site. This photo was taken in November 2005.

The establishment of other species between the tussocks of soft rush will further bind the peat together and eventually lead to a complete cover and stabilisation of the introduced peat.

Vegetation cover in the remaining uncovered area is low and comprises patchy growth of bog cotton *Eriophorum angustifolium* and soft rush *Juncus effusus*.

#### Water over-spill area (Area 7)

This area was rehabilitated in line with the rehabilitation plan for the Oweninny Works, Cutaway Bog Rehabilitation (2003). This involved field drain blocking and it is anticipated that natural revegetation processes will proceed in this area and over the duration of the peat deposition activity. The overflow facility will be maintained for the duration of the peat deposition and also for a number of years following the activity to ensure that there is no build-up of water on site. When the area is no longer required, the site will be re-surveyed to determine the vegetative condition and whether further rehabilitation work is required (unlikely to be more than superficial).

#### Off-loading facility (Area 5)

Construction work was completed in April 2005. To date, there has been extensive colonisation of the surrounding bare peat, predominantly soft rush *Juncus effusus.* 

#### **10** Review of Environmental Liabilities Insurance Cover.

In Accordance with the requirements of Schedule D, Annual Environmental Report Content, a review of the Environmental Liabilities Insurance Cover is required. The initial Environmental Liabilities Risk Assessment (ELRA) was carried out in March 2005. This assessment examined 8 Potential Hazards, including, peat combustion, dust blow, sediment laden run-off, fire etc.

Of the critical potential hazards identified, mobilisation of peat off site and sediment laden run-off have not been highlighted as a potential problem during the operation of the site in 2005. The number of non-compliances occurring has shown a compliance level of 97% for all emissions to water from the site. The risk of peat mobilisation from the site was identified as low in the ELRA, and during peat deposition in 2005, there were no indications that the status of this risk had increased.

The Licence requires the completion of a stability assessment of each bay, once it has been filled. No bays were filled, during 2005, so a stability assessment will be carried out in 2006, after each bay is filled.

To date, the natural re-vegetation as specified in the EIS has progressed better than expected (see photo in previous section). The continuous cover of soft rush (*Juncus effusus*) is already well established on the deposited peat, and has progressed its stabilisation.

Based on the experiences of peat deposition during 2005 and the results of environmental monitoring, performance and compliance reported in this AER, the Environmental Liabilities Insurance Cover for 2006 is adequate.

#### 11 Landfill Costs

Condition 12.2.1 requires the licence holder to submit a statement on the determination of charge for the disposal of waste in accordance with the requirements of S.I. No. 337 of 2002 European Communities Regulation 2002.

Following the consultation of this regulation, it is determined that as Srahmore Peat Deposition Site is only accepting waste peat from one permitted contractor, and that this charge has been agreed with the contractor prior to the commencement of the peat deposition and is applicable for the duration of the contract, the provision of this statement does not apply. The price agreed with the contractor is commercially sensitive.

#### 12 Other Reports.

#### 12.1 Fuel Bowser Testing.

Both fuel bowers were supplied by Cashes Engineering Ltd. Both of these bowers were certified and tested by the manufacturer. A copy of the conformity certificates are kept on file in Strathmore.

#### 12.2 Placed Peat Stability Assessment.

Condition 8.7 requires a stability assessment of each bay once filled. As no bays were filled during 2005, the stability assessments will be carried out once each bay is filled when peat deposition recommences.

#### 12.3 AER Report (Date of Licence to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2004)

The Srahmore Peat Repository licence was issued on the 29<sup>th</sup> March 2004. Condition 3.2 required the submission of a Construction Plan for the initial development works. This was agreed with the Agency and commenced on the 13<sup>th</sup> December.

During this period up to 31<sup>st</sup> December the following environmental works, as specified in the Construction Plan Stage 1, commenced in preparation for the site development works in 2005.

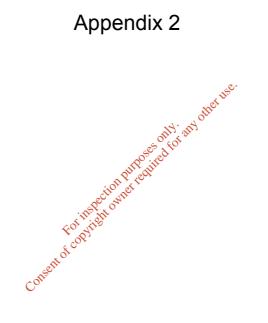
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- 3. Silt Ponds 1, 2a & 2b were fitted with weirs on the inlet and outlet

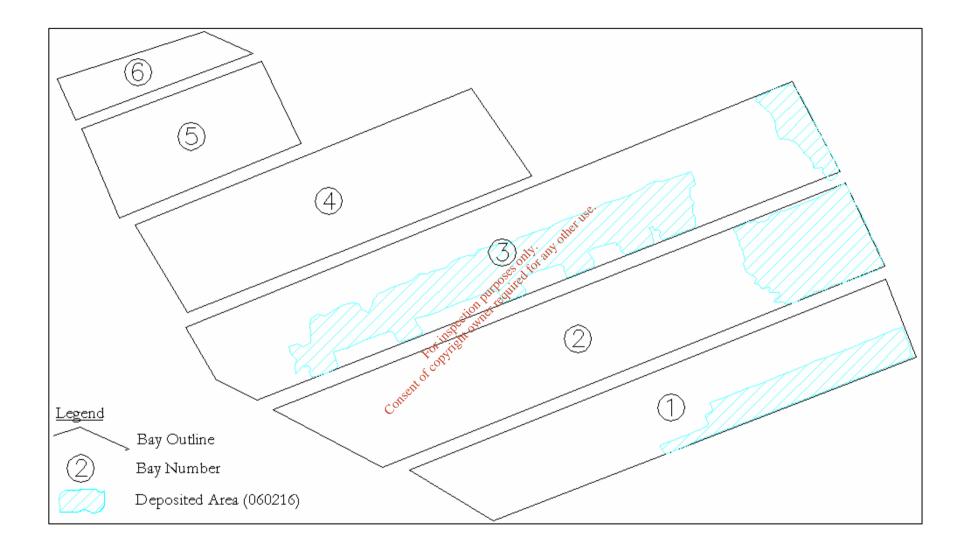
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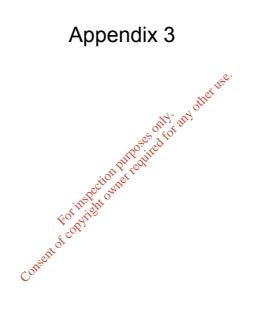
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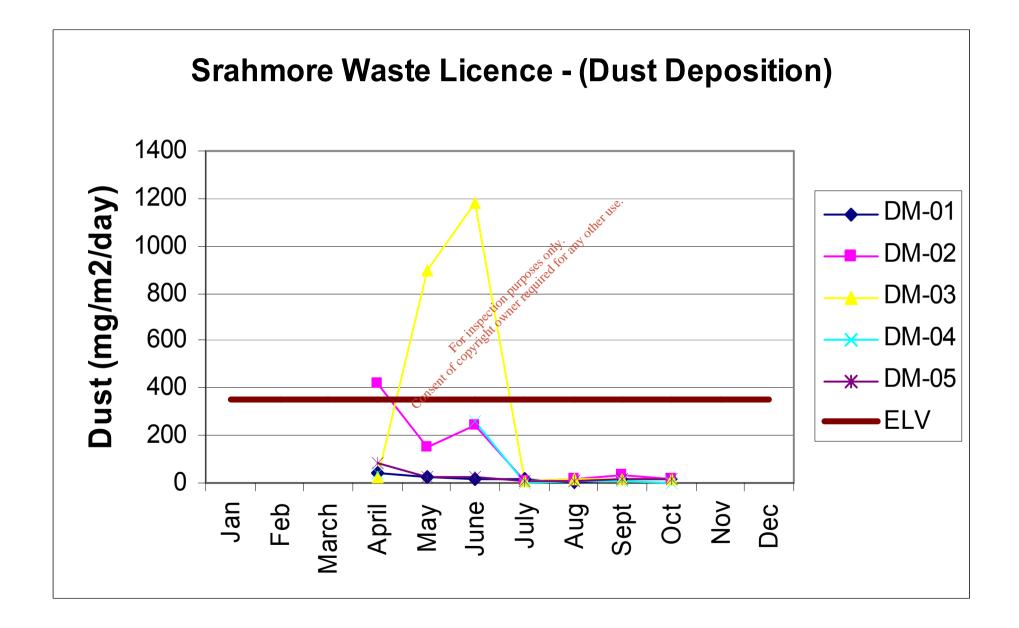
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	Wed 20 Apr 05	39	932	Week	Wed 18 May 05	131	2,850		Wed 15 Jun 05	189	4,302
	Thu 21 Apr 05	51	1,218	5	Thu 19 May 05	151	3,347		Thu 16 Jun 05	220	5,028
	Fri 22 Apr 05	103	2,461	_	Fri 20 May 05	155	3,592		Fri 17 Jun 05	225	5,134
	Sat 23 Apr 05	0	No Peat		Sat 21 May 05	79	1,749		Sat 18 Jun 05	0	No Peat
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	Fri 06 May 05	0	No Peat	_	Fri 03 Jun 05	0	No Peat		Fri 01 Jul 05	113	2,495
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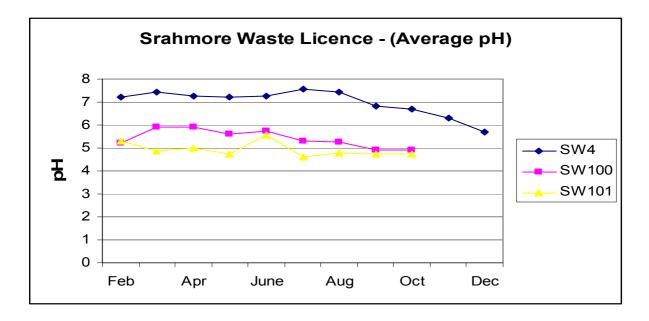


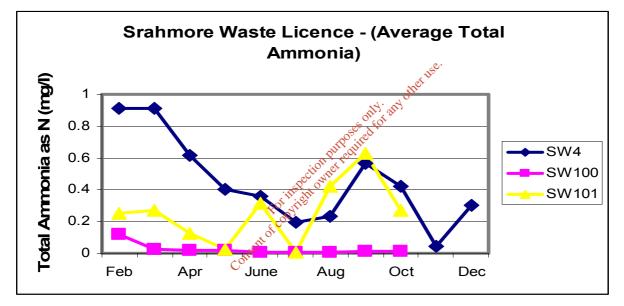


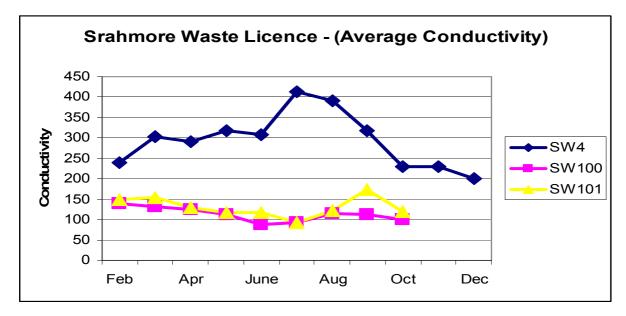


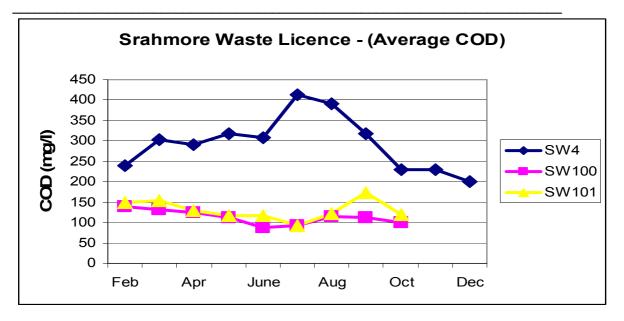


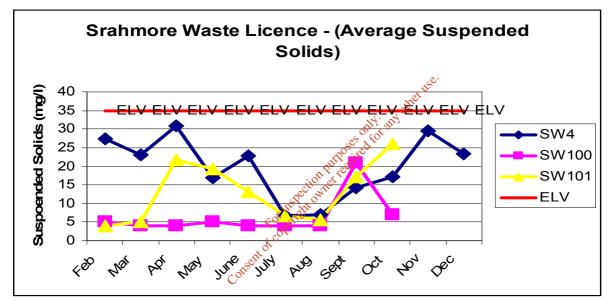
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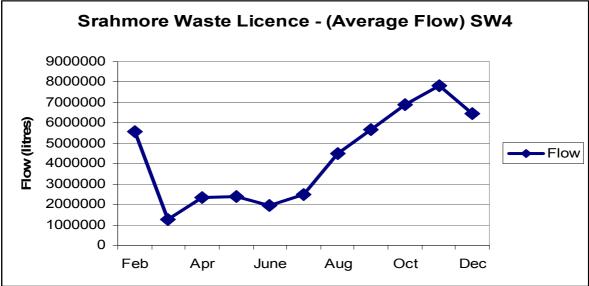


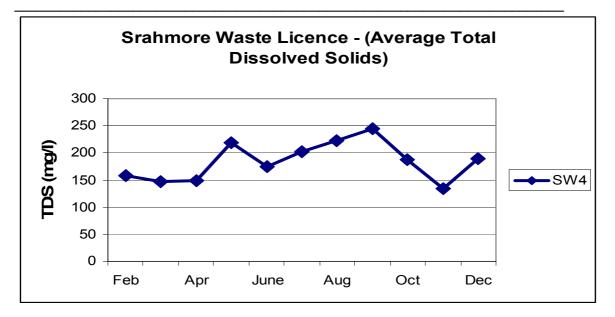


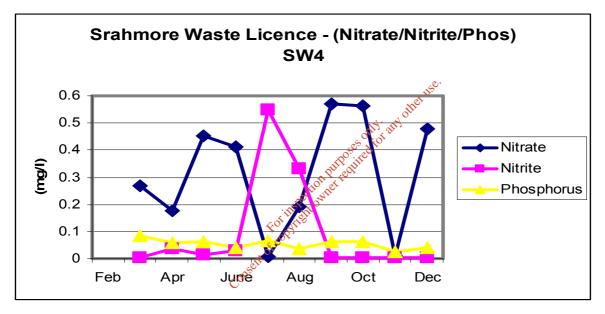


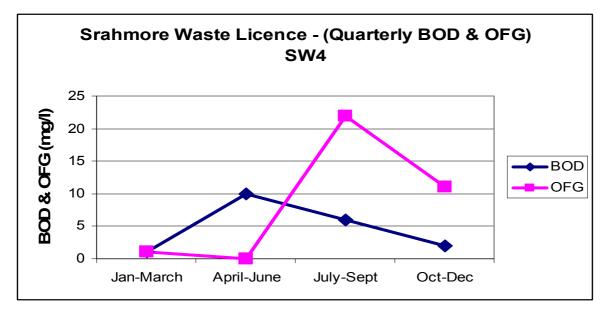






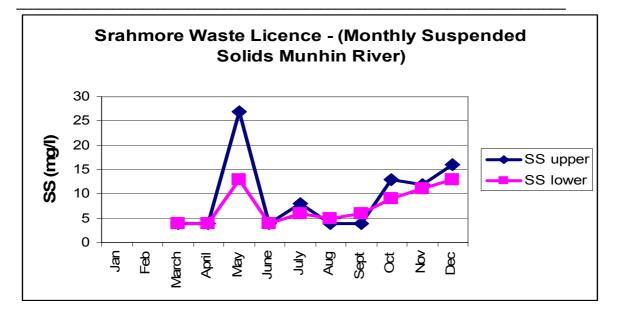


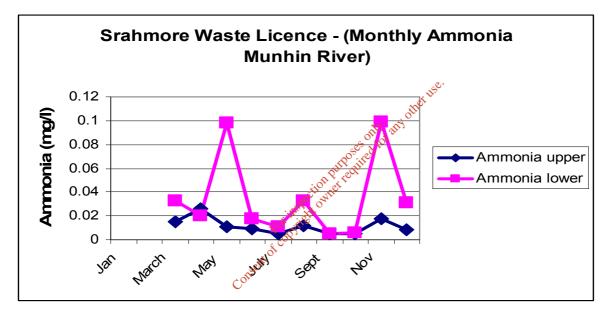




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13/04/2005																
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Conductivity		555		261		\$50		255		253		187		259	2	212
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#### PEAT DEPOSITION SITE

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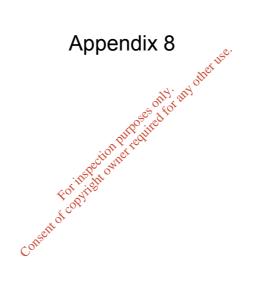
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				1.247	26 May 2005	1,473	24 June 2005						
						7,077	27 June 2005						
						6,860	29 June 2005						
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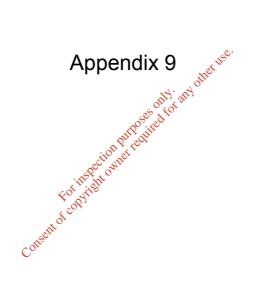
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PIPED DRAIN/OUTFALL REDLINE BOUNDARY

HIGH FIELD

HAUL ROAD

FIELD DRAIN

LEGEND

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OFFALY	₹ <b>\$</b>	

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Waste Licence Emission&MonitoringPoints

Title:

Srahmore Peat Deposition Site

Project:

,	No.	1	2		
	Issue	Original	Revision 1		
	Date	23/08/05	06/03/06		



# NOTES

DUST MONITORING POINTS: DM-01 to DM-05 NOISE MONITORING POINTS: NR-A to NR-C BOREHOLES: BH1 to BH4 (A & B) SURFACE WATER POINTS: SW1-4 & SW100-101

DUST MONITORING POINT DM-01 and NOISE MONITORING POINT NR-C NOT VISIBLE IN A1 (1:2500) LAYOUT.

SW1 E

SURFACE WATER EMISSION POINT

-1A&B M BOREHOLES

R-A M

NOISE MONITORING POINT

M-01 M

DUST MONITORING POINT

SURFACE WATER FLOW DIRECTION

HIGH FIELD TOE DRAIN

PERIMETER SWALE



BORD NA MÓNA ENERGY LIMITED Leabeg, Tullamore, Co Offaly





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## 1. Introduction

## 1.1. Report Period

This Annual Environmental Report covers the period of 01/01/06 to 31/12/06 for the Srahmore Peat Repository at Attavally, Bangor-Erris, Co Mayo.

This is the second Annual Environmental Report for Bord na Mona's Peat Repository at Srahmore, Attavally, Bangor-Erris, Co Mayo. The structure and contents of this report are based on the requirements of Schedule D Reports & AER Content.

### 1.2. Waste Licence Register Number - W199-1

#### 1.3. Operator & Address of Facility.

Bord na Mona Energy Ltd Srahmore, Attavally Bangor-Erris Co Mayo 1.4. Environmental Policy (attached on next page)

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#### **Environmental Policy Statement**

Bord Na Mona Energy Limited is a commercial semi-state body with responsibility to develop Ireland's peat resources in the national interest.

Bord Na Mona Energy Limited is committed to gather and make available information on all aspects of its environmental impact and to help improve understanding among the public generally of its role and of the importance of Irish peatlands.

Bord Na Mona Energy Limited recognises the importance of peatland conservation.

Bord Na Mona Energy Limited will leave behind all areas it owns as either an economically or socially integrated resource of high environmental value.

Bord Na Mona Energy Limited seeks to conduct all aspects of its business in an environmentally sensitive manner, section of the section of th

Bord Na Mona Energy Limited will establish an environmental management system specifically addressing the following impacts:

- Discharges to water
- Emissions to atmosphere
- Waste disposal
- Use of natural resources
- Noise, vibration, odour, dust and visual effects
- Natural environmental and eco-system

The environmental management system will be monitored, maintained and continually improved.

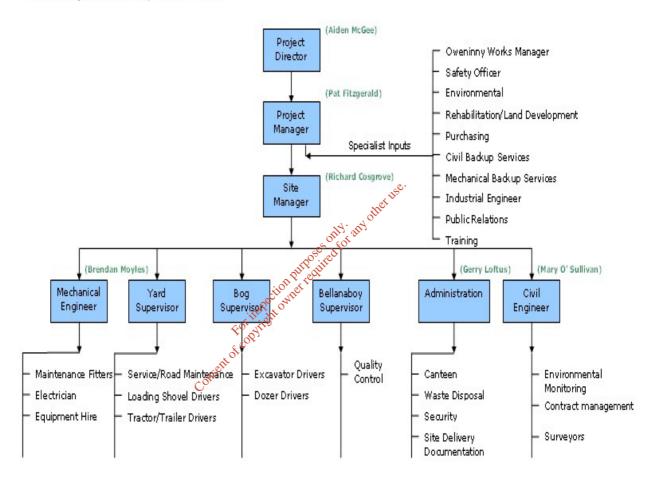
A system of regular environmental audits will be put in place.

Bord Na Mona Energy Limited will continue research and development (R&D) into all aspects of its environmental impact.

This statement is published and is available at all locations within the section and its contents are brought to the attention of all employees

## 1.5. Current Management Structure

#### Corrib Project - Peat Deposition Phase



## 2. Waste Management Report

## 2.1. Site Description

The site is situated approximately 1km northwest of the village Bangor-Erris and comprises cutover peatland in the Oweninny bog complex. This consists of eight separate areas of cutover peatland, numbered 1 - 8, each of which was assessed for suitability for the development. Area 5 was selected as the peat reception area. Area 6 was selected for the actual deposition of peat and a section of Area 7 is utilised as a "controlled overflow area" in the event of exceedance of the design rainfall. The peat reception area is utilised for off-loading of the peat is the closest area to the public road.

The site is a peat disposal area for the placement of c. 450,000m<sup>3</sup> of peat waste excavated from the development of the Shell Corrib Gas Field Terminal at the nearby Bellanaboy Bridge site. The peat, which is from a 3000 to 5000 year old Atlantic Blanket Bog, is transported by road in trucks to the Srahmore deposit area. It was originally anticipated that peat transport and deposit would take place over a 6 month period, spread out over two seasons. However, peat transport and deposit ceased on the 4<sup>th</sup> July 2005, and as of that date, 112,937tonnes were transported to and deposited at the site.

Peat deposition at the site did not resume during 2006, so therefore no peat was deposited at the Srahmore site during 2006.

As of the preparation of this AER for 2006, the recommencement date of operations at the site is proposed for April 2007. Therefore it is not possible to estimate when the final capacity is to be reached.

As of the final delivery and deposition of peat to the site on 04/07/05, the remaining capacity was 337,063 tonnes. A map detailing the status of each bay is included in Appendix 1.

During the full operations at the site, up to 126 personnel were employed in the following areas:

BNM (support)	8	General Operatives	24	Security	4
BNM	2	Fitters	5	Environmental	1
(Engineering)					
Head Office Staff	2	Electricians	1	Archaeological	-
Site Office Staff	2	Site Supervisors	4	Canteen	3
Drivers	70	Contractors	-		
		Total			126

Plant on site during a	Ill operations is as follows:	

Machine	Number	Operator
Excavators	20	BNM
Dozers	6	BNM
Tractors	28	BNM
Quads	4	BNM
Loading Shovels	3	BNM

## 3. Environmental Emissions of the Activity

## 3.1. Emissions to Atmosphere Summary

The only potential emissions to the atmosphere from the activities on site are dust. As required by Condition 8.8.1, locations for dust monitoring around the site were agreed with the Agency, and Bergerhoff Dust gauges were installed.

Due to the fact that there was no peat deposition or activity during 2006, dust monitoring was suspended, in agreement with the EPA. This monitoring will recommence prior to resumption of peat deposition.

Procedures regarding dust suppression and dust monitoring are in place on site.

## 3.2. Emissions to Water Summary

Emissions to water from the site takes place at 3 locations:

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Licence Emission Ref. No	SW No
S5-1	SW100
S5-2 conse	SW101
Location 7 (combined from Area 5/6)	SW4

As required by Schedule C (2.2) the following parameters were monitored during peat deposition, from February to October 2005. After this period, when peat deposition was suspended, a revised monitoring regime was agreed with the Agency, until peat deposition recommences.

Monitoring during peat deposition suspension (Jan – Dec 2006)

Monitoring during peat deposition suspension (October 2005 to December 2006)	Continuous	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Quarterly
Flow	SW4				
рН			SW4		SW 100 & 101
Conductivity	SW4				SW 100 & 101
COD			SW4		SW 100 & 101
BOD					SW4
Suspended Solids			SW4		SW100 & 101

TDS		SW4		SW 100 & 101
Nitrite (as N)			SW4	
Nitrate (as N)			SW4	
Ammonia (as N)		SW4		
Total Phosphorus			SW4	
Oils, fats &				SW4
greases				

Emissions from SW4 are monitored using a flow proportional composite sampler, which operates on a continuous basis. Here a sample bottle is filled over a 24 hour period and sent to Complete Laboratory Services for analysis. The compliance requirements at SW4 are as follows:

8/10 consecutive results, calculated as daily mean concentration or mass emission values on the basis of flow proportional composite sampling, shall not exceed the emission limit value. No individual result similarly calculated shall exceed 1.2 times the emission limit value

Emissions from SW100 & 101 are sampled by grab sample on a Quarterly basis and sent to the lab for analysis. The compliance requirements at SW100 & 101 are as follows:

No grab sample value shall exceed 1.2 times the emission limit value.

The emission limit value (ELV) attached to emissions to water from the site is 35mg/l suspended solids.

Results for the 3 emission points are in Appendix 2.

Non-compliances:

Monitoring Point	Emission (SS mg/l)	ELV (mg/l)	Corrective Action
None			

As can be observed from the results, specifically Suspended Solids at SW4, 100 & 101, the average SS is 8.6, 4 and 7 mg/l respectively. This compares with 20, 6 and 13 mg/l for 2005. As there was no activity at the site for 2006, this could be attributed to the significant reduction in SS.

Monitoring in 2005 included the latter part the construction phase of the facility, and this excavation and groundwork's activities would have contributed to the average SS. Given that the site has had an opportunity to stabilise during 2006, BNM are confident that the operation and management of the silt ponds and activities at the site during 2007 will not result in significant non-compliances.

#### 3.3 Ambient Monitoring.

#### **River-water Monitoring:**

Schedule C (6) requires monthly monitoring for Suspended Solids and Ammonia at two locations on the Munhin River, upstream and down stream of the discharge from Location 7 (SW4). The average suspended solids upstream of the discharge from the site were 5.3 mg/l, while the downstream average was 7.2 mg/l over the 12 month monitoring period.

The average ammonia levels upstream of the discharge are .0117 mg/l to .0223 mg/l downstream. These results would be typical of levels found in peatland catchments and are well below the Maximum Allowable Concentration (0.23 mg/l)

These results would indicate that the Srahmore Peat Repository activities are having no negative effect on the suspended solids content of the river during peat suspension in 2006.

Results of the analysis are attached in Appendix 3.

In addition Biological Quality (Q) rating/Q index is required annually. This was carried out, in agreement with the Agency, on the 17/09/05, by AMGC Environmental Agricultural Consultancy. Assessment was carried out upstream and downstream of the discharge from the site, to establish a Q index for both locations and identify any change in water quality.

Due to the cessation of peat deposition and activities at the site during 2006, and the environmental monitoring upstream and downstream of the site (see above), it was decide not to carry out another round of Biological Quality Rating. This will be carried out in June – September 2007, in accordance with Schedule C (6), when it is hoped peat deposition will have recommenced.

### Groundwater Monitoring:

Condition 8.10 required the installation of a groundwater monitoring network at the site, in accordance with Agency guidelines. This required one up-hydraulic gradient, one down gradient of the peat reception area, and two down gradient of the peat deposition area.

Only one borehole survived from the initial site investigation, so this involved the installation of three addition boreholes, by Irish drilling Ltd between March 21<sup>st</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> 2005

As per AER 2005, Groundwater monitoring was to take place once peat deposition recommenced. Again due to the fact that deposition has not started again to date, groundwater monitoring did not occur. If peat deposition starts again as planned in 2007, bi-annual monitoring will take place.

#### 3.4 Noise Monitoring Report.

Condition 8.11 of the licence requires a noise survey to be carried out during weeks 2, 6 & 12 at the following locations:

NRA – At site entrance from the R313.

NRB – North/West of the site on the R313 at a dwelling.

NRC - West of the site, close to Bangor-Erris Village

Again this was suspended, in agreement with the EPA, until peat deposition starts again.

A map of the Waste Licence Emission & Monitoring Points is included in Appendix 6.

#### 3.5 Resource & Energy Consumption

A Resource & Energy Consumption Summary is included in Appendix 4.

Actions planned for 2006 include:

- 1. A new road layout plan has been produced which aims to reduce the travel time of the tractor and trailer units. This, if successful will result in a reduction in diesel use/tonne of peat deposited.
- 2. Addition resources will be applied to the Maintenance Programme. This will allow for the efficient maintenance of the plant fleet, resulting in more fuel efficiency. All plant in operation at the facility are new, so the fuel efficiencies of the plant are optimised.

Due to the inactivity in the site during 2006, these projects are being undertaken in 2007.

# 4 Environmental Management System

## 4.1 Management & Reporting Structure

This is included in section 1.5 and details the current management & reporting structure.

## 4.2 Schedule of Environmental Objectives & Targets

This sets out the schedule of objectives as proposed by Condition 2.2.2.2.

Objective	Target
1. Minimisation of suspended solids	Assessment of suspended solids generation during peat deposition during the first two months and setting a programme for its reduction
2. Reduction of fugitive dust	Establish the levels of dust generation during peat deposition during the first two months and setting a programme for its reduction
3. Protection of dust sensitive areas	Establish the levels of dust nuisance at the three dust sensitive locations during the first two months of monitoring and setting a programme for the protection of these areas
4. Reuse of silt pond waste	Monitor the levels of silt pond waste cleanings at the 7 silt ponds and swale locations over the peat deposition period and establish a reuse option.
5. Effective spill leak management of Mobile fuelling units	Comply with all of the condition of the licence in relation to operation and maintenance of all mobile fuelling operations, and assess its effectiveness after 3 months operation.
<ol> <li>Management of dangerous substances</li> </ol>	Comply with the conditions of licence relating to oil and diesel storage, bunding and recycling and review after 2 months operation
<ol> <li>Management of silt pond flow discharges</li> </ol>	Comply with the conditions of the licence in relation to the management of silt pond flow discharges during high rainfall events and assess its effectiveness after two months operation.
8. Reuse of stone used in internal haul-road construction	Investigate any potential re-uses for the geotextile and stone used in the construction of the internal; haul-roads, either on site or in the locality.

## 4.3 Environmental Management Programme Report.

Activity/Emission	Objective	Target Date	Target	Persons Responsible
OT1 Emission of suspended Solids	Minimisation of suspended Solids	On-going programme during the life of the project and as part of aftercare & maintenance.	To comply with Conditions 8.9.1, 8.9.3 & 8.9.4. a programme of weekly inspections of all drainage and subsequent waste treatments systems, daily inspections of discharges to receiving waters and the regulation and monitoring of all silt generating activities will be put in-place. This will be used for establishing the cleaning roster. These systems will be assessed on an ongoing basis for the first two months of peat deposition, to assess the degree of suspended solids generation, and this along with the daily results for SS from the Composite Sampler will be used to establish targets for the reduction of Suspended Solids Status: In agreement with the EPA, all inspections of silt ponds, emission points, oil interceptors, etc have been moved out to Monthly during peat suspension. These records are available for inspection at the site office.	Site Manager & Environmental Manager

# Minimisation of Suspended Solids (EMP1)

# Reduction of fugitive dust (EMP2)

Activity/Emission	Objective	Target Date	Target	Person Responsible
OT2 Fugitive dust emissions	Reduction of fugitive dust emissions during all operations	On-going programme during the life of the project.	This programme will establish the degree of dust generation during the first two months of peat deposition. Peat delivery, tipping on the peat reception area, loading into the trailers and deposition into the bays will be examined along with any dust suppression methods employed and the appropriate Dust Handling Procedure. This will include the first two months of dust monitoring. The results of these assessments will be used to establish targets for reduction of fugitive dust emissions. Status: This programme and condition 8.8.1. has resulted in the provision of dust gauges at dust sensitive locations (see section 3.1 Emissions to Atmosphere). The main potential sources of dust from the site are the access road and peat deposition roads. The operations in 2005 have resulted in exceedances in dust levels on three occasions, with an overall compliance rate of 92%. With all deposition and machine movement stopped for 2006, the same suppression measures will be in place for 2007, if deposition recommences. BNM are confident that the compliance levels will be maintained.	Site Manager & Environmental Manager

Activity/Emission	Objective	Target Date	Target	Person Responsible
OT3 Fugitive dust emissions	Protection of Dust sensitive areas.	On-going programme during the life of the project.	Based of the results of the initial two months dust monitoring at the five dust sensitive locations, a programme of protection of dust sensitive locations will be examined. This will address any measures to be put in- place, such as the planting of trees, or any special measures to be put in place to protect any areas that exceed the ELV of 350 mg/m <sup>2</sup> /day. Status: There have been no complaints regarding dust received at the site during 2006. This along with the high level of compliance indicate that dust from the site is not a significant nuisance to any neighbours of the operations, and protection of any potential dust sensitive location is not necessary. This programme will be kept under review for 2007 and will be base on the results of the 5 dust gauges and any complaint that may arise.	Site Manager & Environmental Manager

# Protection of dust sensitive areas. (EMP3)

Activity/Emission	Objective	Target Date	Target	Person Responsible
OT4 Reuse of Silt Pond Waste	The reuse of all silt pond wastes.	On-going programme during the life of the project.	As the silt wastes generated form the cleaning and maintenance of silt ponds S5-1, S5-2, Area 5 & Area 6 silt ponds are directly as a result of peat deposition, they will either be used in the Bog & Peat Deposition Area rehabilitation & aftercare, or will be incorporated into the existing bays once deposition is complete.	Site Manager & Environmental Manager
		Consent of copyright owne	Status: As all peat wastes accepted and generated at the site are for landfilling purposes, there is no further use for the silt pond cleanings. These will be incorporated into the peat deposited or if off benefit will be used in the final rehabilitation.	Site Manager & Environmental Manager

# Reuse of silt pond wastes (EMP4)

Activity/Emission	Objective	Target Date	Target	Person Responsible
OT5 Management of mobile Fuelling units	Effective spill/leak management of mobile fuelling units.	On-going programme during the life of the project.	To comply with conditions 3.17, 3.19 and 3.20, the two mobile fuelling units are stored in a bunded location, with an oil spill kit in-place. Fuelling nozzles will be fitted with overflow shut- off mechanisms and auto fill clips will be disabled. All personnel will be made aware through training, of the Oil/Diesel Loading Procedure & the Emergency Response Procedure. Shortened versions of the procedures are posted on the tanks and at the bunded storage location. All service wagons have been inspected before use and bi- annually there after. Leaks, flaws, necessary repair etc, will be reported to the Site Manager. All the above will be in-place before peat deposition re-commences, and will be re- assessed as to their effectiveness every 3 months. The out come of these assessments will determine any improvements to be made and target dates to achieve them. <b>Status: All of the above measures are in- place during suspension and will be</b> <b>maintained as per the licence for 2007.</b>	Site Manager & Environmental Manager

# Management of mobile fuelling wagons (EMP5)

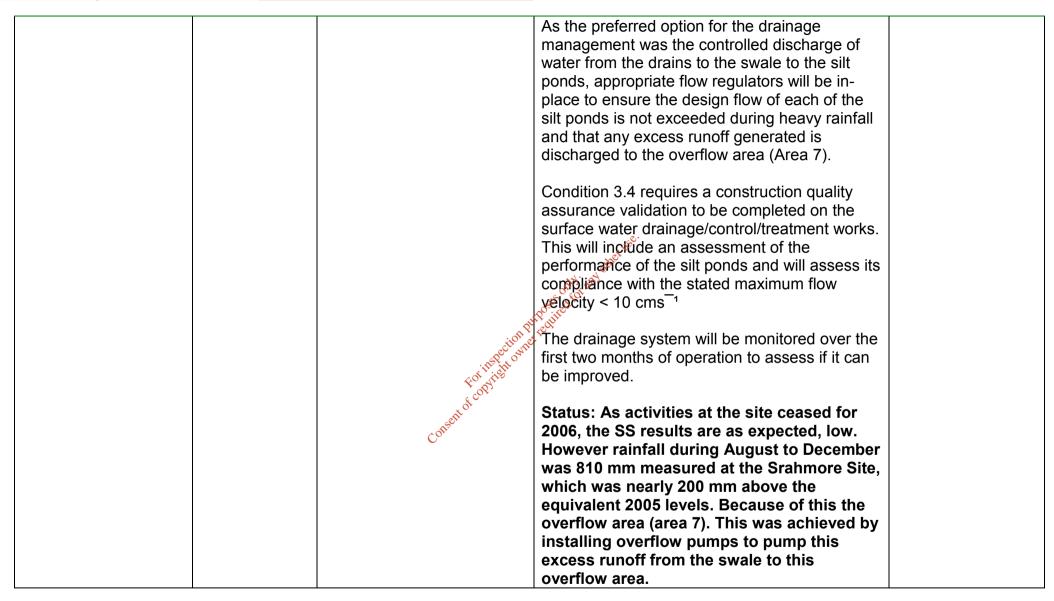
Activity/Emission	Objective	Target Date	Target	Person Responsible
OT6 Management of dangerous substances List I & List II	To manage of any dangerous substances as listed in I & II of the Dangerous Substances Directive 80/68/EEC	On-going programme during the life of the project.	<ul> <li>The only substances from Lists I &amp; II of the Dangerous Substances Directive (76/464/EEC and 80/68/EEC and amendments) are List I (7) Mineral Oils and Hydrocarbons. The management of these will include:</li> <li>(1) Pollution Prevention as required by Conditions 3.13 – 3.21. This includes the safe storage of diesels/oil/Filters and protection of ground and surface water during fuelling operations.</li> <li>(2) Pollution Control: Maintenance of diesel/oil interceptors as required by Conditions 8.9.1 &amp; 8.9.2</li> <li>All of these measures will be in-place before peat deposition commences.</li> <li>A review will be carried out after the first two months operation and every 3 months thereafter, to assess the effectiveness of programme OT6.</li> <li>A programme of improvement will be implemented once the operational performance</li> </ul>	Site Manager & Environmental Manager

# Management of dangerous substances (EMP6)

of the management of diesels & oils has been assessed. Status: The oil interceptors installed at the site include 3 Klargester units. These units are installed downstream of the grit trap and are operating successfully. They have also been fitted with alarms, which indicate when they require cleaning. The operation and maintenance of these units is on-going. During 2006, due to no activity at the site, the units did not require any maintenance. They were however inspected during this time and are on record. Sampling for COD at SW2 during the year showed an average of 27 mg/l.	
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# Management of silt pond flow discharges (EMP7)

Activity/Emission	Objective	Target Date Conser	Target	Person Responsible
OT7 Effective management of Silt pond flow discharges	Effective management of flow discharges during periods of high precipitation and flooding.	On-going programme during the life of the project.	As is required by Conditions 3.11 & 3.12, all silt ponds must achieve specific design criteria i.e. max flow velocity <10 cm <sup>-1</sup> and min. 75m <sup>3</sup> /nett ha of bog. Flow regulators must also be fitted to ensure the design flow capacity is not exceeded. The drainage system has been designed to a rainfall event of 31 mm, which equates to a 100 year storm event of 1 hours rainfall.	Site Manager & Environmental Manager



# Reuse of road building materials (EMP8)

Activity/Emission	Objective	Target Date	Target	Person Responsible
OT8 Road materials re-use	Reuse of stone used in internal haul-road construction.	As stated in the EIS, the decommissioning plan for the internal haul road network would envisage it occurring at the end of the stabilisation period (5 yrs after deposition has been completed). There may also be a requirement to leave these roads in-place as part of the after use of the deposition area.	<ul> <li>All materials used in the internal haul road construction will be either recycled or reused.</li> <li>The Geotextile will be collected for reuse within BNM for under rail lines, or recycled through a licensed contractor.</li> <li>The 300mm of crushed stone will be recycled through one of the following:</li> <li>As internal service roads to a Proposed Wind Farm Development at Oweninny.</li> <li>As construction material on an alternative site.</li> <li>Through an appropriate recycling contractor.</li> <li>Placement at the base of the toe drains to assist in drainage.</li> </ul>	Site Manager & Environmental Manager

#### 4.4 **Environmental Management Programme Proposal.**

The proposal for 2007 is to continue with the existing EMP Objectives and Targets as set out in the 2005 AER for 2006, due to the short duration of the remaining peat deposition.

#### 4.5 Silt Pond Inspection & Desilting Report.

Inspections of the silt ponds are carried out weekly. A full log of all inspections is maintained at the site office and this along with SS results obtained form the silt ponds form the basis for the cleaning roster. Due to the fact that peat deposition did not occur in 2006, the silt ponds did not require maintenance, based on inspections. The silt ponds have since been cleaned during February 2007.

#### 5 Site Development Works.

#### 5.1 Summary of main changes/developments/works & planned works HIN' any other for 2006.

#### Inactive Site 2006.

A sump pump was installed around the wheel wash tanks to lower the flooding in this area. During tank maintenance the positive buoyancy caused the tanks to float. This pumping system now prevents this occurring. ofcopy

#### Pre Deposition 2007

- Installation of bog mat road network ٠
- Upgrade of road to workshop to facilitate traffic movement.
- Installation of temporary haul road in bay 5. •
- Cleaning and maintenance of site drainage network. •
- Resurfacing of main access road and deposition haul link road.

# 6 Waste received and consigned from the Facility

		Non-Hazardous Waste Received				
Waste Description	EWC	On-site Dispo	-site Disposal On-site Recovery		Recovery	
	Code					
		Method Tonnes		Method	Tonnes	
Grit Trap Waste	13 05 01	Deposit on Land	0.75	None		

#### 6.1 Non-hazardous waste received by the facility.

#### 6.2 Hazardous waste received by the facility.

		Hazardous Waste Received				
Waste Description	EWC Code	On-site	Disposal official	On-site	Recovery	
		Method of	Tonnes	Method	Tonnes	
		action putrous	ne			
		FOIDSPIE				
Consente						

#### 6.3 Non-hazardous waste sent off-site for Recovery/Disposal.

Canteen Waste       20 01 08       3.5       Mayo County Council       Disposal       Rathroeen, Killala Rd, Ballina, Co. Mayo         Septic Tank       20 03 04       20       Asethetic Services       Disposal       Mayo	Waste Description	EWC Code	Tonnes	Details of Haulage Contractor	Recovery /Disposal	Name & Address of recovery/Disposal Site			
there is a second se	Ballina Wastewater Treatment Wo					Ballina Wastewater Treatment Works, Belleek, Ballina, Co.			
	6.4 Hazardous waste sent off-site for Recovery/Disposal pupestived for any other								

#### Hazardous waste sent off-site for Recovery/Disposal 6.4

Consignment Note/TFS Note Number	Date of Dispatch	Description of Waste	EWC Code	Tonnes, iter	Details of Haulage Contractor	Disposal/ Recovery	Name & Address of Recovery/ Disposal site
200865	04/10/2006	Oil Interceptor Waste	15 03 06	Cons <sup>5</sup> 12.00	Enva Ireland Ltd	Recovery	Enva Ireland Ltd Portlaoise Co Laois
336862	04/10/2006	Oily Rag bin	15 02 02	0.60	Enva Ireland Ltd	Disposal	Enva Ireland Ltd Portlaoise Co Laois

#### 7 Environmental Incidents & Complaints.

#### 7.1 Reported Incidents Summary.

Date	Nature of Incident	Cause	<b>Corrective Action</b>
	NONE		

#### 7.2 Reported Complaints Summary

Date	Nature of Complaint	Cause	Corrective Action
	NONE		

#### 8 Review of Nuisance Controls.

The nuisance controls at the site only include dust suppression and pest control.

Pest control is provided by Pestguard Environmental Services, and involves the installation of bait boxes at various locations around the site office and canteen facilities. As the only waste accepted at the facility is peat, there is no other requirements regarding the control of pests e.g. bird control.

Dust suppression is carried out at the site as inspections and observations dictate. The Dust Handling Procedure (DHP) is used to establish when and where dust suppression is required. This operation will continue once peat deposition re-commences in 2006.

#### 9 Review of Rehabilitation Plan.

Rehabilitation at the Srahmore site is outlined in the Rehabilitation Plan for the Srahmore Peat Deposition Area and Associated Facilities (Feb 2005). The main criteria<sup>1</sup> defining successful rehabilitation of the Srahmore PDA and associated facility are:

- (i) Stabilisation of the deposited peat<sup>2</sup>
- (ii) Mitigation of silt run-off

Natural revegetation processes are outlined as the BAT for rehabilitation of the Srahmore site. Results so far indicate that vegetation establishes rapidly on the deposited peat. It is anticipated that the plant roots will bind the introduced peat layer, altering the peat structure to create a homogeneous peat mass thereby stabilising the peat.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> These are the basic criteria as identified in the consultation process for development of *The Rehabilitation Plan* for the entire Oweninny Works.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Stabilisation of these areas infers revegetation. Once stabilised there will be no potential peat run-off from the site, which will cover the second criterion for successful rehabilitation.

#### 9.1 Vegetation assessment

#### **Deposition Area**

The deposition area comprises access routes on high fields, peat deposition area and drainage channels. To date, approximately 20% of the deposition area has been covered with peat. The peat was deposited and levelled between high fields using long-reach excavators. The final shaping allows for run-off into drainage channels with the peat remaining undisturbed to facilitate natural revegetation processes.

Within weeks the deposited peat was colonised by a flush of soft rush *Juncus effusus* seedlings. Other plants colonising included bulbous rush *Juncus bulbosus* and sorrel *Rumex acetosella*. The soft rush tussocks form the dominant character of the vegetation with inter-tussock spaces of patchy plant cover. The cover of this pioneer vegetation is continuous over the entire area of deposited peat.

The establishment of other species between the tussocks of soft rush will further bind the peat together and eventually lead to a complete cover and stabilisation of the introduced peat.

Vegetation cover in the remaining uncovered area is low and comprises patchy growth of bog cotton *Eriophorum angustifolium* and soft rush *Juncus effusus*.

A walkover survey of the Srahmore PDA in August 2006 indicates that the vegetation that had established on the deposited peat is developing further. Inter-tussock spaces of the soft rush are becoming further colonised by herbs, grasses and mosses with intermittent pools. The initial pioneer vegetation is maturing a developing a denser growth pattern.

The vegetation will continue to develop over time and Bord na Móna will continue to monitor the changes in structure and composition.

A Photo inspection of the deposited peat area in Appendix 6 shows how well the natural revegetation has occurred.

#### **10** Review of Environmental Liabilities Insurance Cover.

In Accordance with the requirements of Schedule D, Annual Environmental Report Content, a review of the Environmental Liabilities Insurance Cover is required. The initial Environmental Liabilities Risk Assessment (ELRA) was carried out in March 2005. This assessment examined 8 Potential Hazards, including, peat combustion, dust blow, sediment laden run-off, fire etc.

Of the critical potential hazards identified, mobilisation of peat off site and sediment laden run-off have not been highlighted as a potential problem during the operation of the site in 2005. The number of non-compliances occurring has shown a compliance level of 97% for all emissions to water from

the site in 2005, and 100% compliance in 2006. The risk of peat mobilisation from the site was identified as low in the ELRA, and during peat deposition in 2005, there were no indications that the status of this risk had increased.

The Licence requires the completion of a stability assessment of each bay, once it has been filled. No bays were filled during 2005, so a stability assessment will be carried out once peat deposition recommences in 2006, after each bay is filled.

To date, the natural re-vegetation as specified in the EIS has progressed better than expected (see photo in previous section and Appendix 5). The continuous cover of soft rush (Juncus effusus) is already well established on the deposited peat, and has progressed its stabilisation.

Based on the experiences of peat deposition during 2005 and the results of environmental monitoring, performance and compliance as reported in the 2005 and 2006 AER, the Environmental Liabilities Insurance Cover is considered to be adequate.

#### 11 Landfill Costs

her use. Condition 12.2.1 requires the licence holder to submit a statement on the determination of charge for the disposal of waste in accordance with the requirements of S.I. No. 337 of 2002 European Communities Regulation tionpi 2002. 1,e

Following the consultation of this regulation, it is determined that as Srahmore Peat Deposition Site is only accepting waste peat from one permitted contractor, and that this charge has been agreed with the contractor prior to the commencement of the peat deposition and is applicable for the duration of the contract, the provision of this statement does not apply. The price agreed with the contractor is commercially sensitive.

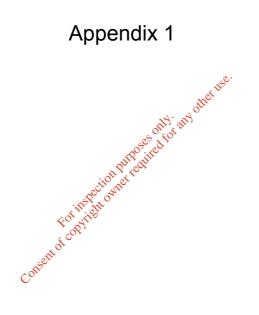
#### 12 Other Reports.

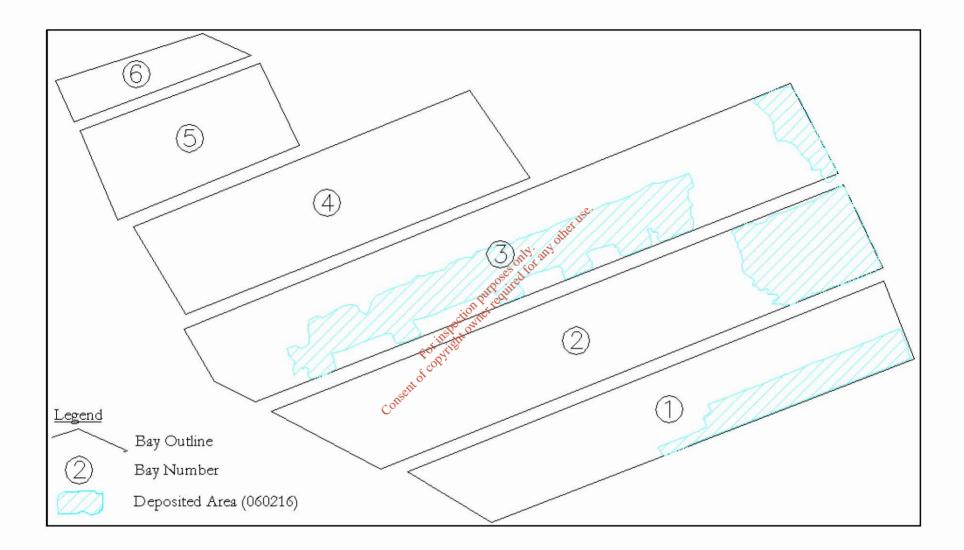
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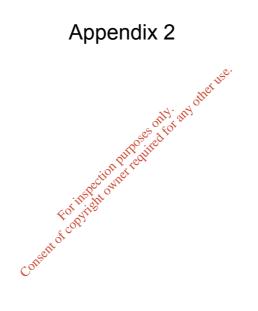
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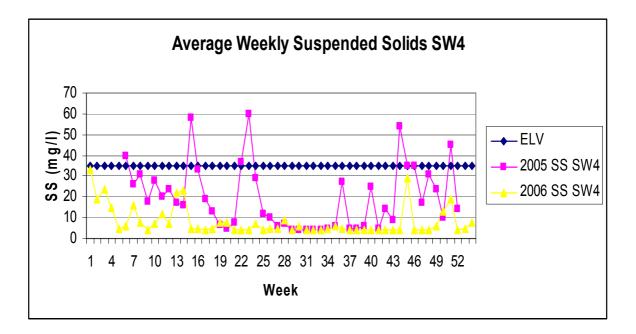
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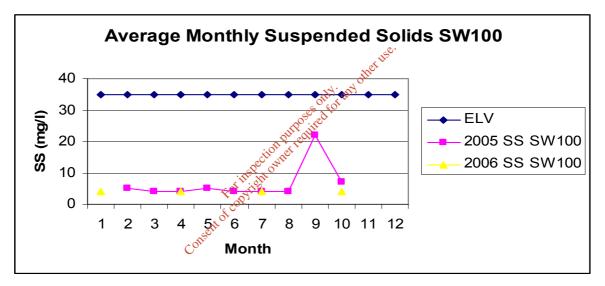
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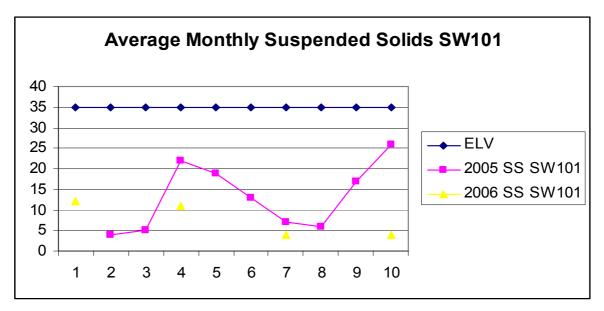


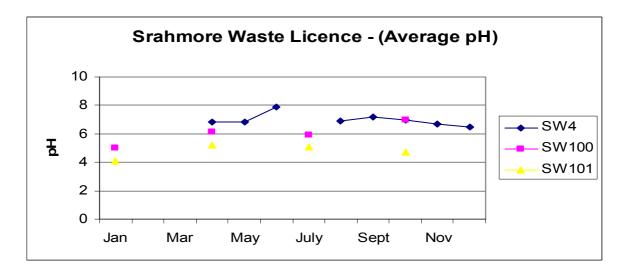


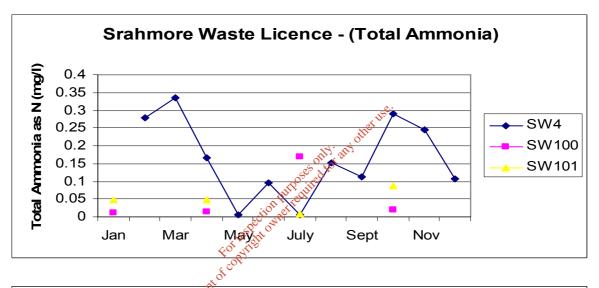




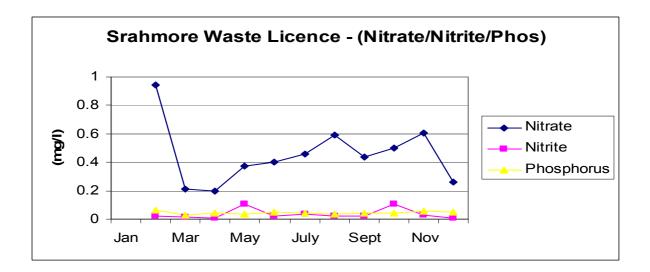


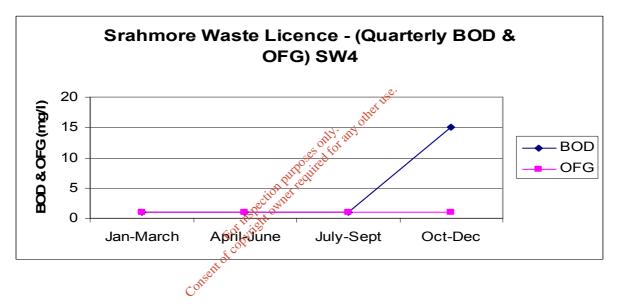


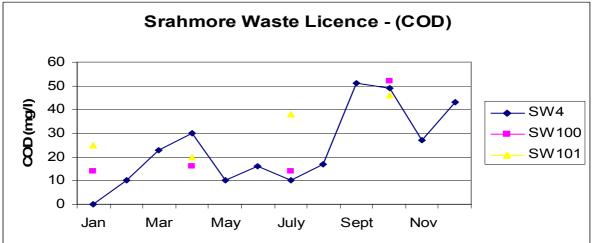


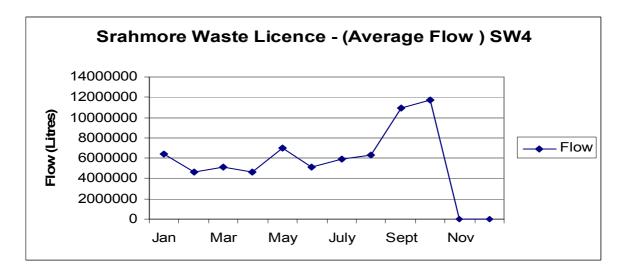




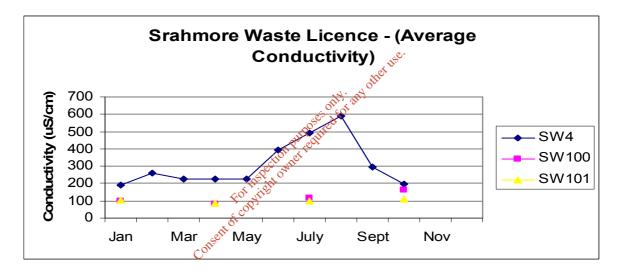




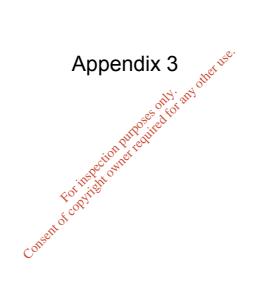


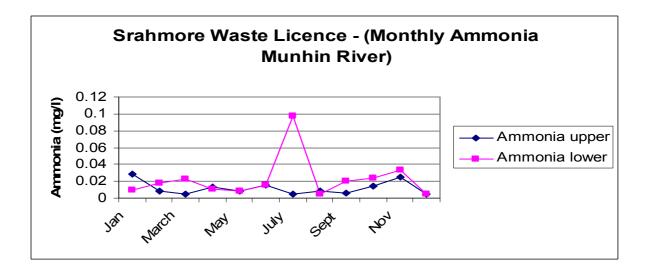


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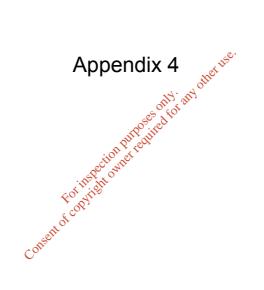


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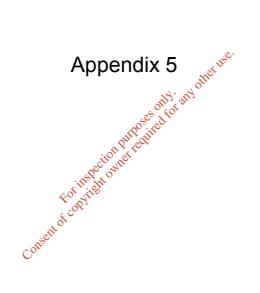
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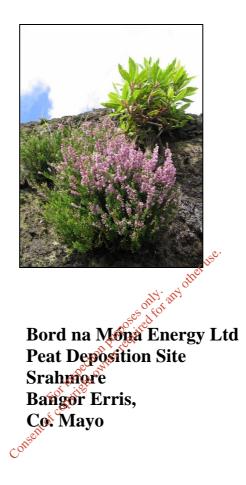


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Marked Gas			
Oil	Litres	20,596	
Petrol	Litres	0	
Electrical	Kw/Hrs	19,544	



# Srahmore Revegetation Photo Inspection



Date: 24<sup>th</sup> August 2006

Prepared by: Brendan Moyles (Bord na Móna)

Bay 4 Road 25





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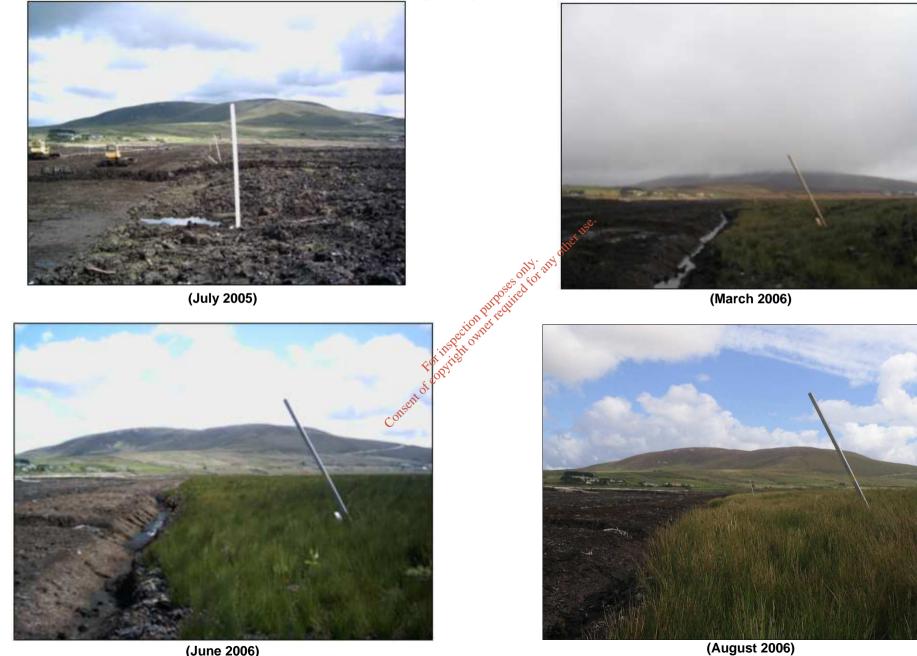


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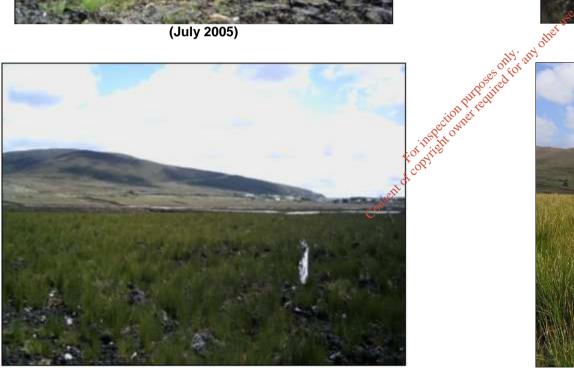
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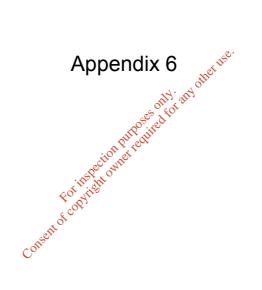


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#### Srahmore Site View







PIPED DRAIN/OUTFALL REDLINE BOUNDARY

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FIELD DRAIN

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Waste Licence Emission&MonitoringPoints

Title:

Srahmore Peat Deposition Site

Project:

	No.	1	2		
	Issue	Original	Revision 1		
	Date	23/08/05	06/03/06		

# E = EMISSION POINT; M = MONITORING/SAMPLING POINT

# NOTES

DUST MONITORING POINTS: DM-01 to DM-05 NOISE MONITORING POINTS: NR-A to NR-C SURFACE WATER POINTS: SW1-4 & SW100-101 BOREHOLES: BH1 to BH4 (A & B)

DUST MONITORING POINT DM-01 and NOISE MONITORING POINT NR-C NOT VISIBLE IN A1 (1:2500) LAYOUT.

SW1 E

SURFACE WATER EMISSION POINT

<mark>IR-A M</mark>

NOISE MONITORING POINT

M-01 M

DUST MONITORING POINT

SURFACE WATER FLOW DIRECTION

HIGH FIELD TOE DRAIN

PERIMETER SWALE

BH-1A&B M BOREHOLES



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#### 1. Introduction

#### 1.1. Report Period

This Annual Environmental Report covers the period of 01/01/07 to 31/12/07 for the Srahmore Peat Repository at Attavally, Bangor-Erris, Co Mayo.

This is the third Annual Environmental Report for Bord na Mona's Peat Repository at Srahmore, Attavally, Bangor-Erris, Co Mayo. The structure and contents of this report are based on the requirements of Schedule D Reports & AER Content.

#### 1.2. Waste Licence Register Number - W199-1

#### 1.3. Operator & Address of Facility.

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#### **1.4. Environmental Policy (attached on next page)**



BORD NA MÓNA ENERGY LIMITED

#### **Environmental Policy Statement**

Bord Na Mona Energy Limited is a commercial semi-state body with responsibility to develop Ireland's peat resources in the national interest.

Bord Na Mona Energy Limited is committed to gather and make available information on all aspects of its environmental impact and to help improve understanding among the public generally of its role and of the importance of Irish peatlands.

Bord Na Mona Energy Limited recognises the importance of peatland conservation.

Bord Na Mona Energy Limited will leave behind all areas it owns as either an economically or socially integrated resource of high environmental value.

Bord Na Mona Energy Limited seeks to conduct all aspects of its business in an environmentally sensitive manner.

Bord Na Mona Energy Limited will establish an environmental management system specifically addressing the following impacts:

- Discharges to water
- Emissions to atmosphere
- Waste disposal
- Use of natural resources
- Noise, vibration, odour, dust and visual effects

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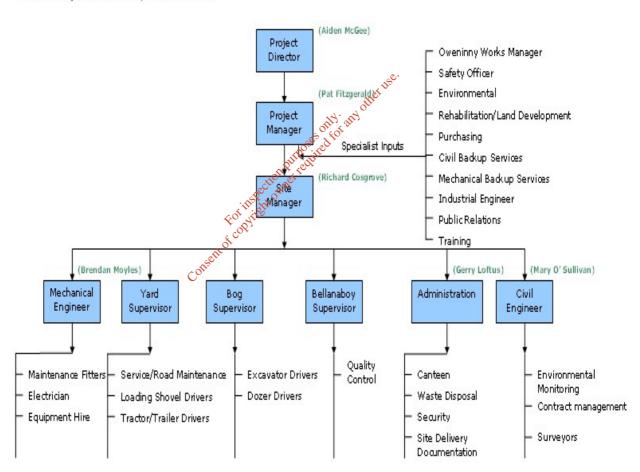
The environmental management system will be monitored, maintained and continually improved.

A system of regular environmental audits will be put in place.

Bord Na Mona Energy Limited will continue research and development (R&D) into all aspects of its environmental impact.

This statement is published and is available at all locations within the section and its contents are brought to the attention of all employees

#### 1.5. Current Management Structure



Corrib Project – Peat Deposition Phase

## 2. Waste Management Report

#### 2.1. Site Description

The site is situated approximately 1km northwest of the village Bangor-Erris and comprises cutover peatland in the Oweninny bog complex. This consists of eight separate areas of cutover peatland, numbered 1 - 8, each of which was assessed for suitability for the development. Area 5 was selected as the peat reception area. Area 6 was selected for the actual deposition of peat and a section of Area 7 is utilised as a "controlled overflow area" in the event of exceedance of the design rainfall. The peat reception area is utilised for off-loading of the peat is the closest area to the public road.

The site is a peat disposal area for the placement of c.<sup>2</sup> 450,000m<sup>3</sup> of peat waste excavated from the development of the Shell Corrib Gas Field Terminal at the nearby Bellanaboy Bridge site. The peat, which is from a 3000 to 5000 year old Atlantic Blanket Bog, is transported by road in trucks to the Srahmore deposit area. It was originally anticipated that peat transport and deposit would take place over a 6 month period, spread out over two seasons. However, peat transport and deposit ceased on the 4<sup>th</sup> July 2005, and as of that date, 112,937tonnes were transported to and deposited at the site.

Peat deposition at the site did not resume during 2006, so therefore no peat was deposited at the Srahmore site during 2006.

Peat deposition did recommence on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of April 2007 and completed the deposition of peat on the 29<sup>th</sup> June 2007.

A map detailing the final deposition is included in Appendix 1.

During the full operations at the site, up to 126 personnel were employed in the following areas:

BNM (support)	8	General Operatives	24	Security	4
BNM (Engineering)	2	Fitters	5	Environmental	1

Head Office Staff	2	Electricians	1	Archaeological	-
Site Office Staff	2	Site Supervisors	4	Canteen	3
Drivers	70	Contractors	-		
		Total			126

Plant on site during all operations is as follows:

Machine	Number	Operator
Excavators	20	BNM
Dozers	6	BNM
Tractors	28	BNM
Quads	4	BNM
Loading Shovels	3	BNM

### 3. Environmental Emissions of the Activity

#### 3.1. Emissions to Atmosphere Summary

The only potential emissions to the atmosphere from the activities on site are dust. As required by Condition 8.8.1, locations for dust monitoring around the site were agreed with the Agency, and Bergerhoff Dust gauges were installed.

Dust monitoring for the period was at 5 locations around the site and commenced in April 2007 and are attached in Appendix 2.

Non-compliances:

Monitoring Point	Emission (mg/m²/day)	ELV (mg/m²/day)	Corrective Action
None	5 - 347	350	None required

This represents an overall compliance of 100%.

Procedures regarding dust suppression and dust monitoring are in place on site.

#### 3.2. Emissions to Water Summary

Emissions to water from the site takes place at 3 locations:

Licence Emission Ref. No	SW No
S5-1	SW100
S5-2	SW101
Location 7 (combined from Area 5/6)	SW4

As required by Schedule C (2.2) the following parameters were monitored during peat deposition, from January to December 07

Monitoring during peat deposition suspension (October 2005 to December 2006)	Continuous	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Quarterly
Flow	SW4				
рН			SW4		SW 100 & 101
Conductivity	SW4				SW 100 & 101
COD			SW4		SW 100 & 101
BOD					SW4
Suspended Solids			SW4		SW100 & 101
TDS			SW4		SW 100 & 101
Nitrite (as N)				SW4	
Nitrate (as N)				SW4	
Ammonia (as N)			SW4		
Total Phosphorus				SW4	
Oils, fats &			nert		SW4
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Emissions from SW4 are monitored using a flow proportional composite sampler, which operates on a continuous basis. Here a sample bottle is filled over a 24 hour period and sent to Complete Laboratory Services for analysis. The compliance requirements at SW4 are as follows:

<sup>1</sup>8/10 consecutive results, calculated as daily mean concentration or mass emission values on the basis of flow proportional composite sampling, shall not exceed the emission limit value. No individual result similarly calculated shall exceed 1.2 times the emission limit value

Emissions from SW100 & 101 are sampled by grab sample on a Quarterly basis and sent to the lab for analysis. The compliance requirements at SW100 & 101 are as follows:

No grab sample value shall exceed 1.2 times the emission limit value.

The emission limit value (ELV) attached to emissions to water from the site is 35mg/l suspended solids.

Results for the 3 emission points are in Appendix 3.

#### Non-compliances:

Monitoring Point	Emission (SS mg/l)	ELV (mg/l)	Corrective Action
SW4 (Location 7)	10/17/19/25/29 May <b>52 – 125 mg/l</b> 19 & 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	35mg/l <sup>1</sup>	Yes
	47 – 49 mg/l		Yes
	5 <sup>th</sup> July <b>71 mg/l</b>		Yes
	16 <sup>th</sup> September <b>44 mg/l</b>		Yes

This represents an over compliance level of 97%

#### 3.3 Ambient Monitoring.

#### **River-water Monitoring:**

Schedule C (6) requires monthly monitoring for Suspended Solids and Ammonia at two locations on the Munhin River, upstream and down stream of the discharge from Location 7 (SW4). The average suspended solids upstream and downstream of the discharge from the site were 7 mg/l.

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The average ammonia levels upstream of the discharge are .049 mg/l to .042 mg/l downstream. These results would be typical of levels found in peatland catchments and are well below the Maximum Allowable Concentration (0.23 mg/l)

These results would indicate that the Srahmore Peat Repository activities are having no negative effect on the suspended solids content of the river during peat suspension in 2007

Results of the analysis are attached in Appendix 4.

In addition Biological Quality (Q) rating/Q index is required annually. This was carried out, in agreement with the Agency, on the 07/10/2007, by AMGC Environmental Agricultural Consultancy. Assessment was carried out upstream and downstream of the discharge from the site, to establish a Q index for both locations and identify any change in water quality.

Biological Quality rating carried out upstream and downstream of the activity indicated that there was a slight improvement in water quality downstream of the main outlet from SW4 (Location 7). The rating went from Class C Moderately Polluted upstream to Class B Slightly Polluted downstream. A new hydrological station was installed at the outlet from Carraghmore Lake as it enters the Munhin River immediately upstream of the activity. This has resulted in a faster flow through this location which made sampling more difficult. However the results indicate that the quality of this stretch of the Munhin has not changed since 2005 when peat deposition last took place.

#### Groundwater Monitoring:

Condition 8.10 required the installation of a groundwater monitoring network at the site, in accordance with Agency guideline site in accordance with Agency guideline site in accordance with Agency guideline site in a contract of the peat reception area, and two down gradient of the peat deposition area.

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Groundwater sampling was conducted on three occasions in 2007.

On the 25<sup>th</sup> April, all boreholes were monitored with BH's 3B, 4A & 4B all displaying elevated Diesel Range Organics (DRO's). Sampling was again carried out at the same locations on the 22<sup>nd</sup> May with the elevated boreholes getting duplicate sampling. The DRO's for the period had dropped significantly.

Sampling was again carried out on the 12<sup>th</sup> July at all boreholes and all results were below the limits of detection.

Investigations carried out on foot of the elevated results indicated that the elevated results may have been due to plant and equipment parking up adjacent to the boreholes. Investigation reports and corrective actions were submitted to the EPA during this period.

Results of all sampling during the period of investigation and the groundwater contour map are attached in appendix 5.

#### 3.4 Noise Monitoring Report.

Condition 8.11 of the licence requires a noise survey to be carried out during weeks 2, 6 & 12 at the following locations:

- NRA At site entrance from the R313.
- NRB North/West of the site on the R313 at a dwelling.
- NRC West of the site, close to Bangor-Erris Village

Noise monitoring was carried out on the 24<sup>th</sup> April and 22nd May 2007. These covered weeks 2 and 6 of condition 8.11. Monitoring on week 12 of the operation did not take place as peat deposition was completed on the week prior to this period and all deposition operations had ceased on this date.

On both occasions the monitoring and subsequent reporting concluded that noise from the site did not have any significant impact on the existing noise environment. No complaints regarding noise from the operation were received at the site during the year reported.

A map of the Waste Licence Emission & Monitoring Points is included in Appendix 8.

#### 3.5 Resource & Energy Consumption

Resource and Energy Consumption for the Facility was as follows:

Marked gas oil for all machine operations	-	270103 litres
Electricity usage	-	88.779 MW/hrs

Action plans carried out in 2007 were

1. A new road layout plan was produced which reduced the travel time of the tractor and trailer units.

 Addition resources were applied to the Maintenance Programme. This allowed for the efficient maintenance of the plant fleet, resulting in more fuel efficiency. All plant in operation at the facility are new, so the fuel efficiencies of the plant are optimised.

Due to the completion of deposition at the site during 2007, there will be minimal energy and resource consumption at the site during 2008.

#### 4 Environmental Management System

#### 4.1 Management & Reporting Structure

This is included in section 1.5 and details the current management & reporting structure.

# 4.2 Schedule of Environmental Objectives & Targets

This sets out the schedule of ob	jectives as proposed b	y Condition 2.2.2.2.
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Objective	Target
1. Minimisation of suspended solids reaction of suspended solids reaction of suspended solids reaction of the section of the s	Assessment of suspended solids generation during peat deposition during the first two months and setting a programme for its reduction
2. Reduction of fugitive dust of the consent of the	Establish the levels of dust generation during peat deposition during the first two months and setting a programme for its reduction.
3. Protection of dust sensitive areas	Establish the levels of dust nuisance at the three dust sensitive locations during the first two months of monitoring and setting a programme for the protection of these areas
4. Reuse of silt pond waste	Monitor the levels of silt pond waste cleanings at the 7 silt ponds and swale locations over the peat deposition period and establish a reuse option.
<ol> <li>Effective spill leak management of Mobile fuelling units</li> </ol>	Comply with all of the condition of the licence in relation to operation and maintenance of all mobile fuelling operations, and assess its effectiveness after 3 months operation.
<ol> <li>Management of dangerous substances</li> </ol>	Comply with the conditions of licence relating to oil and diesel storage, bunding and recycling and review after 2 months operation
7. Management of silt pond flow	Comply with the conditions of the licence

discharges	in relation to the management of silt pond flow discharges during high rainfall events and assess its effectiveness after two months operation.
<ol> <li>Reuse of stone used in internal haul-road construction</li> </ol>	Investigate any potential re-uses for the geotextile and stone used in the construction of the internal; haul-roads, either on site or in the locality.

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#### 4.3 Environmental Management Programme Report.

Activity/Emission	Objective	Target Date	Target	Persons Responsible
OT1 Emission of suspended Solids	Minimisation of suspended Solids	On-going programme during the life of the project and as part of aftercare & maintenance.	To comply with Conditions 8.9.1, 8.9.3 & 8.9.4. a programme of weekly inspections of all drainage and subsequent waste treatments systems, daily inspections of discharges to receiving waters and the regulation and monitoring of all silt generating activities will be put in-place. This will be used for establishing the cleaning roster. These systems will be assessed on an ongoing basis for the first two months of peat deposition, to assess the degree of suspended solids generation, and this along with the daily results for SS from the Composite Sampler will be used to establish targets for the reduction of Suspended Solids Status: This project was on-going during peat deposition in 2007. All inspections of drainage and silt treatment systems was carried out and logged on the EMS system.	Site Manager & Environmental Manager

## Minimisation of Suspended Solids (EMP1)

# Reduction of fugitive dust (EMP2)

Activity/Emission	Objective	Target Date	Target	Person Responsible
OT2 Fugitive dust emissions	Reduction of fugitive dust emissions during all operations	On-going programme during the life of the project.	This programme will establish the degree of dust generation during the first two months of peat deposition. Peat delivery, tipping on the peat reception area, loading into the trailers and deposition into the bays will be examined along with any dust suppression methods employed and the appropriate Dust Handling Procedure. This will include the first two months of dust monitoring. The results of these assessments will be used to establish targets for reduction of fugitive dust emissions. Status: This programme and condition 8.8.1. has resulted in the provision of dust gauges at dust sensitive locations (see section 3.1 Emissions to Atmosphere). The main potential sources of dust from the site are the access road and peat deposition roads. The operations in 2007 were completed over 13 weeks starting on the 2 <sup>nd</sup> April. There were no non-compliances during this period.	Site Manager & Environmental Manager

## Protection of dust sensitive areas. (EMP3)

Activity/Emission	Objective	Target Date	Target	Person Responsible
OT3 Fugitive dust emissions	Protection of Dust sensitive areas.	On-going programme during the life of the project.	Based of the results of the initial two months dust monitoring at the five dust sensitive locations, a programme of protection of dust sensitive locations will be examined. This will address any measures to be put in- place, such as the planting of trees, or any special measures to be put in place to protect any areas that exceed the ELV of 350 mgm²/day. Status: There have been no complaints regarding dust received at the site during 2007. This along with the high level of compliance indicate that dust from the site is not a significant nuisance to any neighbours of the operations, and protection of any potential dust sensitive location is not necessary.	Site Manager & Environmental Manager

# Reuse of silt pond wastes (EMP4)

Activity/Emission	Objective	Target Date	Target	Person Responsible
OT4 Reuse of Silt Pond Waste	The reuse of all silt pond wastes.	On-going programme during the life of the project.	As the silt wastes generated form the cleaning and maintenance of silt ponds S5-1, S5-2, Area 5 & Area 6 silt ponds are directly as a result of peat deposition, they will either be used in the Bog & Peat Deposition Area rehabilitation & aftercare, or will be incorporated into the existing bays once deposition is complete.	Site Manager & Environmental Manager
		For inspection print owner	Status: As all peat wastes accepted and generated at the site are for landfilling	Site Manager & Environmental Manager

Activity/Emission	Objective	Target Date	Target	Person Responsible
OT5 Management of mobile Fuelling units	Effective spill/leak management of mobile fuelling units.	On-going programme during the life of the project.	To comply with conditions 3.17, 3.19 and 3.20, the two mobile fuelling units are stored in a bunded location, with an oil spill kit in-place. Fuelling nozzles will be fitted with overflow shut- off mechanisms and auto fill clips will be disabled. All personnel will be made aware through training, of the Oil/Diesel Loading Procedure & the Emergency Response Procedure. Shortened versions of the procedures are posted on the tanks and at the bunded storage location. All service wagons have been inspected before use and bi- annually there after. Leaks, flaws, necessary repair etc, will be reported to the Site Manager. All the above will be in-place before peat deposition re-commences, and will be re- assessed as to their effectiveness every 3 months. The out come of these assessments will determine any improvements to be made and target dates to achieve them. <b>Status: All of the above measures were in-</b> place for 2007. Groundwater monitoring at one of the boreholes adjacent to the peat haulage road indicated high Diesel Range Organics, which was reported to the Agency. (see 3.3 Groundwater Monitoring)	Site Manager & Environmental Manager

# Management of mobile fuelling wagons (EMP5)

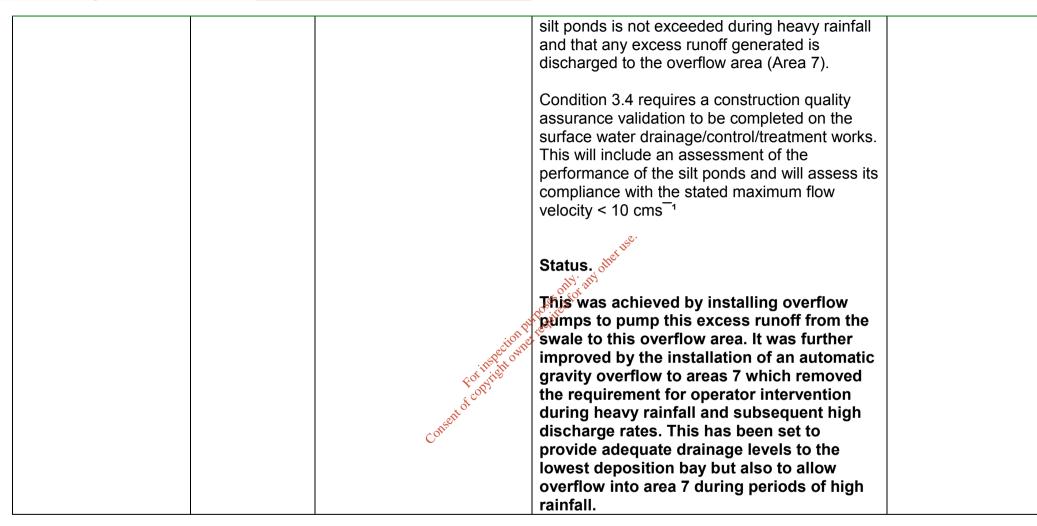
Management of dan	gerous substances	(EMP6)
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Activity/Emission	Objective	Target Date	Target	Person Responsible
OT6 Management of dangerous substances List I & List II	To manage of any dangerous substances as listed in I & II of the Dangerous Substances Directive 80/68/EEC	On-going programme during the life of the project.	<ul> <li>The only substances from Lists I &amp; II of the Dangerous Substances Directive (76/464/EEC and 80/68/EEC and amendments) are List I (7) Mineral Oils and Hydrocarbons. The management of these will include:</li> <li>(1). Pollution Prevention as required by Conditions 3.13 – 3.21. This includes the safe storage of diesels/oil/Filters and protection of ground and surface water during fuelling operations.</li> <li>(2). Pollution Control: Maintenance of diesel/oil interceptors as required by Conditions 8.9.1 &amp; 8.9.2</li> <li>All of these measures will be in-place before peat deposition commences.</li> <li>A review will be carried out after the first two months operation and every 3 months thereafter, to assess the effectiveness of programme OT6.</li> <li>A programme of improvement will be implemented once the operational performance of the management of diesels &amp; oils has been assessed.</li> </ul>	Site Manager & Environmental Manager

	Status: The oil interceptors installed at the site include 3 Klargester units. These units are installed downstream of the grit trap and are operating successfully. They have also been fitted with alarms, which indicate when they require cleaning. The operation and maintenance of these units is on-going. They were inspected during this time and are on record. Sampling for COD at SW2 during the year showed an average of 59 mg/l.	
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# Management of silt pond flow discharges (EMP7)

Activity/Emission	Objective	Target Date	Target	Person Responsible
OT7 Effective management of Silt pond flow discharges	Effective management of flow discharges during periods of high precipitation and flooding.	On-going programme during the life of the project content of the project of the p	As is required by Conditions 3.11 & 3.12, all silt ponds must achieve specific design criteria i.e. max flow velocity <10 cm <sup>-1</sup> and min. 75m <sup>3</sup> /nett ha of bog. Flow regulators must also be fitted to ensure the design flow capacity is not exceeded. The drainage system has been designed to a rainfall event of 31 mm, which equates to a 100 year storm event of 1 hours rainfall. As the preferred option for the drainage management was the controlled discharge of water from the drains to the swale to the silt ponds, appropriate flow regulators will be in- place to ensure the design flow of each of the	Site Manager & Environmental Manager



# Reuse of road building materials (EMP8)

Activity/Emission	Objective	Target Date	Target	Person Responsible
OT8 Road materials re-use	Reuse of stone used in internal haul-road construction.	As stated in the EIS, the decommissioning plan for the internal haul road network would envisage it occurring at the end of the stabilisation period (5 yrs after deposition has been completed). There may also be a requirement to leave these roads in-place as part of the after use of the deposition area.	<ul> <li>All materials used in the internal haul road construction will be either recycled or reused.</li> <li>The Geotextile will be collected for reuse within BNM for under rail lines, or recycled through a licensed contractor.</li> <li>The 300mm of crushed stone will be recycled through one of the following:</li> <li>As internal service roads to a Proposed Wind Farm Development at Oweninny.</li> <li>As construction material on an alternative site.</li> <li>Through an appropriate recycling contractor.</li> <li>Placement at the base of the toe drains to assist in drainage.</li> </ul> Status: As peat deposition has been completed, on site decommissioning and rehabilitation has also taken place. The stone peat haulage roads will have to be retained on site for 3 – 5 years so that access can be maintained to the bays for maintenance of drainage, monitoring and assessment.	Site Manager & Environmental Manager

and weed growth. Excavation and cleaning/screening of the road materials for reuse would be time and energy intensive and the energy and material offset for another site reuse would be negative.
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#### 4.4 Environmental Management Programme Proposal.

The proposal for 2008 is to continue with projects EMP 1, 4, 7 & 8 as these are the only applicable projects due to the completion of the peat deposition in June 2007

#### 4.5 Silt Pond Inspection & Desilting Report.

Inspections of the silt ponds are carried out weekly. A full log of all inspections is maintained at the site office and this along with SS results obtained form the silt ponds form the basis for the cleaning roster.

The silt ponds servicing the Srahmore site were all cleaned in February and Site Development Works, on purposes only any other us site Street on the required for any other us site Summer July 2007

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5.1 Summary of main changes/developments/works & planned works Cons for 2007

#### Pre Deposition 2007

- Installation of bog mat road network •
- Upgrade of road to workshop to facilitate traffic movement. •
- Installation of temporary haul road in bay 5. •
- Cleaning and maintenance of site drainage network. •
- Resurfacing of main access road and deposition haul link road. •
- Installation of automatic overflow to Area 7. •

#### 5.2 Summary of Planned Works for 2008

There is no development works planned for 2008 due to the completion of the project

#### 6 Waste received and consigned from the Facility

#### 6.1 Non-hazardous waste received by the facility.

		Non-Haz	ardous Wa	ste Receiv	ved
Waste					
Description	EWC	On-site Dis	On-site Recovery		
	Code				
		Method	Tonnes	Method	Tonnes
Grit Trap Waste	19 11 06	Deposit on Land	1.5	No	one
Deposited Peat	17 05 04	Deposit on Land	×335113		
			othe		

# 6.2 Hazardous waste received by the facility.

	die Hazardous Waste Received						
Waste Description	EWC	For stient On-site			Recovery		
	Code	of cop.					
	n <sup>sen</sup>	Method	Tonnes	Method	Tonnes		
	Cor						
	None						

#### 6.3 Non-hazardous waste sent off-site for Recovery/Disposal.

Waste Description	EWC Code	Tonnes	Details of Haulage Contractor	Recovery /Disposal	Name & Address of recovery/Disposal Site
Canteen Waste	20 01 08	8.01	Mayo County Council	Disposal	Rathroeen, Killala Rd, Ballina, Co. Mayo Ballina Wastewater Treatment Works, Belleek, Ballina, Co.
Sewage Cleaning	20 03 06	200	Asethetic Services	Disposale.	Мауо

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6.4 Hazardous waste sent off-site for Recovery/Disposal neuroperiod for neurop							
Consignment Note/TFS Note Number	Date of Dispatch	Description of Waste	EWC Code	Tonnes	Details of Haulage Contractor	Disposal/ Recovery	Name & Address of Recovery/ Disposal site
46-155870	18/06/07	Oil Interceptor Waste	13 05 07	6	Enva Ireland Ltd	Recovery	Enva Ireland Ltd Portlaoise Co Laois
46-161849	28/11/07	Waste Oil	13 02 05	5.68	Enva Ireland Ltd	Recovery	Enva Ireland Ltd Portlaoise Co Laois

#### 7 Environmental Incidents & Complaints.

#### 7.1 Reported Incidents Summary.

Date	Nature of Incident	Cause	<b>Corrective Action</b>
	NONE		

#### 7.2 Reported Complaints Summary

Date	Nature of Complaint	Cause	Corrective Action
	NONE		

#### 8 Review of Nuisance Controls.

The nuisance controls at the site only include dust suppression and pest control.

Due to the completion of the project in 2007 all nuisance controls at the site have been removed.

## 9 Review of Rehabilitation Plan.

Rehabilitation at the Srahmore site is outlined in the Rehabilitation Plan for the Srahmore Peat Deposition Area and Associated Facilities (Feb 2005). The main criteria<sup>1</sup> defining successful rehabilitation of the Srahmore PDA and associated facility are:

- (i) Stabilisation of the deposited peat<sup>2</sup>
- (ii) Mitigation of silt run-off

Natural revegetation processes are outlined as the BAT for rehabilitation of the Srahmore site. Results so far indicate that vegetation establishes rapidly on the deposited peat. It is anticipated that the plant roots will bind the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> These are the basic criteria as identified in the consultation process for development of *The Rehabilitation Plan* for the entire Oweninny Works.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Stabilisation of these areas infers revegetation. Once stabilised there will be no potential peat run-off from the site, which will cover the second criterion for successful rehabilitation.

introduced peat layer, altering the peat structure to create a homogeneous peat mass thereby stabilising the peat.

# Vegetation assessment (see also attached Appendix 8: Photo Inspection from March 2006)

#### **Deposition Area**

The deposition area comprises access routes on high fields, peat deposition area and drainage channels. The greater part of the deposition area has been covered with peat. The peat was deposited and levelled between high fields using long-reach excavators. The final shaping allows for run-off into drainage channels with the peat remaining undisturbed to facilitate natural revegetation processes.

Within weeks the deposited peat was colonised by a flush of soft rush *Juncus effusus* seedlings. Other plants colonising included bulbous rush *Juncus bulbosus* and sorrel *Rumex acetosella*. The soft rush tussocks form the dominant character of the vegetation with inter-tussock spaces of patchy plant cover, with shrubs such as bramble *Rubus fruticosus* and some willow *Salix* spp. emerging. The cover of this pioneer vegetation is continuous over the entire area of deposited peat. The establishment of other species between the tussocks of soft rush will further bind the peat together and eventually lead to a complete cover and stabilisation of the introduced peat.

Vegetation cover in the remaining uncovered area is low and comprises patchy growth of bog cotton *Eriophorum angustifolium* and soft rush *Juncus effusus*.

#### Water over-spill area (Area 7)

This area was rehabilitated in line with the rehabilitation plan for the Oweninny Works, Cutaway Bog Rehabilitation (2003). This involved field drain blocking and it is anticipated that natural revegetation processes will proceed in this

area and over the duration of the peat deposition activity. The overflow facility will be maintained for the duration of the peat deposition and also for a number of years following the activity to ensure that there is no build-up of water on site. When the area is no longer required, the site will be re-surveyed to determine the vegetative condition and whether further rehabilitation work is required (unlikely to be more than superficial).

#### Off-loading facility (Area 5)

Construction work was completed in April 2005 and the final activity on-site was in Autumn 2007. To date, there has been extensive colonisation of the surrounding bare peat, predominantly soft rush *Juncus effusus*.

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A walkover survey of the Srahmore PDA indicates that the vegetation that had established on the deposited peat is developing further. Inter-tussock spaces of the soft rush are becoming further colonised by herbs, grasses and mosses with intermittent pools. The initial pioneer vegetation is maturing a developing a denser growth pattern.

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The vegetation will continue to develop over time and Bord na Móna will continue to monitor the changes in structure and composition. There is a slight difference between the peat deposited in 2005 and 2007, relating to the age of the rush tussock. It was noted also that the site is utilised by a number of bird species, particularly nesting Skylark (*Alauda arvensis*).

#### **10** Review of Environmental Liabilities Insurance Cover.

In Accordance with the requirements of Schedule D, Annual Environmental Report Content, a review of the Environmental Liabilities Insurance Cover is required. The initial Environmental Liabilities Risk Assessment (ELRA) was carried out in March 2005. This assessment examined 8 Potential Hazards, including, peat combustion, dust blow, sediment laden run-off, fire etc.

Of the critical potential hazards identified, mobilisation of peat off site and sediment laden run-off have not been highlighted as a potential problem during the operation of the site in 2005 and 2007. The number of non-compliances occurring during the period of operation from 2005 to 2007 is shown on table X below:

Compliance	2005	2006	2007
Levels			
Emissions to	97%	100%	97%
Water			
Emissions to Air	91.5%	No sampling due	100%
		to suspension	

The risk of peat mobilisation from the site was identified as low in the ELRA, and during peat deposition in 2005 and 000 there were no indications that the status of this risk had increased.

The Licence requires the completion of a stability assessment of each bay, once it has been filled. No bays were filled during 2005, so a stability assessment was carried out in 2007, after each bay was completed.

To date, the natural re-vegetation as specified in the EIS has progressed better than expected . The continuous cover of soft rush (*Juncus effusus*) is already well established on the deposited peat, and has progressed its stabilisation.

Based on the experiences of peat deposition during the period of operation between 2005 and 2007, the experience of the success of the rehabilitation to date post deposition and the results of environmental monitoring, performance and compliance as reported in the 2005, 2006 & 2007 AER's, the Environmental Liabilities Insurance Cover is considered to be adequate.

#### 11 Landfill Costs

Condition 12.2.1 requires the licence holder to submit a statement on the determination of charge for the disposal of waste in accordance with the requirements of S.I. No. 337 of 2002 European Communities Regulation 2002.

Following the consultation of this regulation, it is determined that as Srahmore Peat Deposition Site is only accepting waste peat from one permitted contractor, and that this charge has been agreed with the contractor prior to the commencement of the peat deposition and is applicable for the duration of the contract, the provision of this statement does not apply. The price agreed with the contractor is commercially sensitive.

#### 12 Other Reports.

#### 12.1 Fuel Bowser Testing.

Indoses only any other use Both fuel bowers were supplied by Gashes Engineering Ltd. Both of these bowers were certified and tested by the manufacturer. A copy of the conformity certificates are kept on file in Srahmore.

Con Both of these bowsers are designated for re-use elsewhere in Bord na Mona.

## 12.2 Placed Peat Stability Assessment.

Condition 8.7 requires a stability assessment of each bay once filled. This was carried out on the 1<sup>st</sup> of December 2007 by Tobin Consulting Engineers. Based on the site walkover survey and previous assessments in 2003/2005/2006, all works were carried out in accordance with the rehabilitation plan.

There is No indication of instability in the internal high fields, perimeter high fields, deposited peat bays or drainage system.

The deposited peat is contained within each bay. In its current condition the risk of a mass deposited peat flowing out of bays 2, 3, 4 & 5 and entering the surrounding watercourse is very low.

A copy of this Stability Assessment is retained on file at the site office.

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