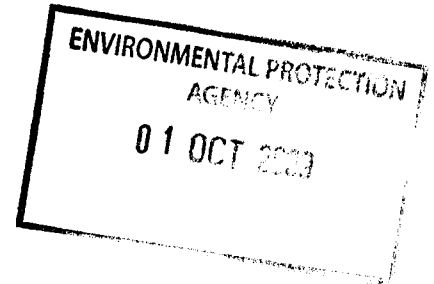




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Re: W0271-01

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Greenport Environmental Ltd. has noted a submission made by Mr. Michael Cleary, Chairman of The Community Council, Foynes and District Community Council, Foynes, Co. Limerick to the EPA regarding the Waste Licence Application of Greenport Environmental Ltd W0271-01, dated the 1st of September 2009.

I refer to the planning reference numbers 08/1633 and 09/737. Planning permission for file number 08/1633 was granted by Limerick County Council on the 25th of March 2009 but later appealed to An Bord Pleanála. A decision by An Bord Pleanála will be made on or before the 19th of October 09. The planning application 09/737 is currently being processed by Limerick Council; this application is significantly different from the original planning application.

Regarding planning File 08/1633 Mr. Cleary states *"what is not stated is that Foynes District Community Council have appealed this decision to An Bord Pleanála and the appeal has not been processed to date"*.

Greenport Environmental Ltd clearly stated in the application that the planning was under appeal, see below. We also wish to add that during our pre-application meeting with Brian Meaney, EPA and Donal Grant, EPA it was confirmed by them that Greenport Environmental Ltd should include details of the most up-to-date planning information associated with the site including details for a 10,000t/annum composting facility (Notification of Decision to Grant, Limerick County Council Planning Ref: 08/1633) and our subsequent planning application for a 50,000t/annum biogas/composting facility (Limerick County Council Planning Ref: 09/737). In attachment B3 of the application this information was presented as follows-

"Attachment B.3

Please find attached the most recent documentation relating to planning at the proposed development site:

1) Notification from the Planning Authority of their decision to grant planning permission for change of use of existing warehouse from a timber frame construction facility to an in-vessel composting facility and the removal of an open ended lean-to.

This refers to the original application for a 10,000t/annum composting facility. This application is currently under appeal.

2) Acknowledgement letter from the Planning Authority regarding receipt of application for planning permission for change of use of an existing warehouse building from a timber frame construction facility and for permission to extend the existing structure to accommodate a biogas/composting facility (New application for a 50,000t/annum biogas/composting facility).

This application is significantly different from the original planning application and is currently under review by the Planning Authority.

3) Copies of the EIS are also enclosed separately with this application"

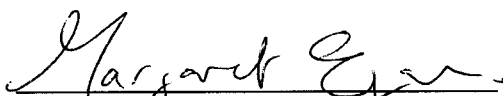
Mr. Cleary also states that Limerick County Council has requested further information on planning application number 09/737;

Greenport Environmental Ltd wish to clarify that the information supplied at the time of the application was the most up-to-date information available, planning file 09/737 is currently being processed by Limerick County Council and any further decisions made by Limerick County Council on this planning file will be forwarded to the Agency as a submission under W0271-01.

I trust this submission clarifies any queries the Agency may have on the matter.

If you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,


Margaret Egan,
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Greenport Environmental Ltd