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MEMO RE: TECHNICAL AMENDMENT

TO:	Director
FROM:	Marie O'Connor Environmental Licensing Programme
DATE:	9 th December 2009
RE:	Veolia Environmental Services (Ireland) Limited, Reg W0173-01 - Technical Amendment B

Application Details	
Location of activity:	Forge Hill, Kinsale Road, Cork
License issued:	9 th September 2003
Amendment A issued:	8 th January 2008
Request received	30 th October 2009

Company

In September 2003 Ipodec Ireland Ltd. were issued with a licence for a materials handling and recycling facility. They had previously operated under permit from Cork County Council. The licence limits the facility to the processing of a maximum of 82,000 tonnes/annum non-hazardous waste as does the Planning Permission.

Technical Amendment A was issued to the Licensee in 2008 to incorporate the requirements of the Protection of the Environment Act 2003, name change of the company and amendments to effluent discharge requirements.

Consideration of the TA Request

The company have requested that the licence is amended to allow for a change in the composition of the waste accepted at the facility whilst retaining the overall limit on tonnage. This is to facilitate the acceptance of increased volumes (17,400tonnes/annum) of household waste and a similar decrease in Commercial waste. They also wish to be allowed the flexibility to agree these changes with OEE in the future. No additional information was submitted to allow for an assessment of the ability of the facility to cater for such a change in the composition of its waste in terms of odours and other emissions which might arise from household waste.

WASTE TYPE	Current Maximum tonnes/annum	Requested Maximum tonnes/annum
Household waste collected by or on behalf of the local authority	1,600	18,000
Commercial Waste	70,000	53,400
Industrial waste not elsewhere specified	6,400	6,400
Construction and Demolition	4,000	4,000
TOTAL	82,000	82,000

In discussion with the OEE Inspector it was considered that the amendment could proceed to allow the flexibility to amend the maximum tonnages in line with other waste licences. However, the amendment to the tonnages could not be accepted due to the lack of information available.


In light of the urgency which the licensee has expressed in getting a response on this issue it was considered that the most reasonable recommendation is to amend the licence to allow for the on-going discussion with OEE on the variation in waste composition.

The TA proposes to amend Schedule A with the insertion of a note allowing for the flexibility requested.

Overall Recommendation

It is recommended that the Agency grant Technical Amendment B to the applicant as outlined in the draft TA attached and for the reasons outlined in this report.

Signed


 Marie O'Connor,

Senior Inspector