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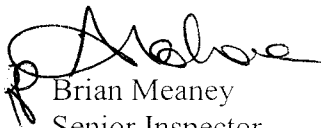
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Re: Youghal Landfill licence register number W0068-03

Dear Mr Bond,

I refer to your letter dated 20 April 2010 in relation to the manner in which the EPA dealt with your objection to the proposed decision for Youghal Landfill licence number W0068-03. I note in particular your concern that the 'methodology used in the calculation of the targets does not appear to have been addressed in the [technical committee] report'. I acknowledge your concern and, having read your objection and technical committee report again, I remain satisfied that your objection to proposed licence conditions was dealt with satisfactorily by the technical committee. In a general context, you will know that the BMW acceptance limits were published by the Agency in June 2009 in the document *Municipal Solid Waste – Pre-treatment and Residuals Management: An EPA Technical Guidance Document*. A draft of that document was subject to a consultation period in 2008. You will also know that the BMW acceptance limits were written in the same format into each of the 25 landfill licences reviewed to date and that the Agency decided, while considering objections to 15 of the proposed decisions on those licences, to ease the generally applicable BMW acceptance limits written into landfill licences.

Yours sincerely



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