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Environmental Licensing Programme Memorandum

To:	Laura Burke, Director
CC:	Frank Clinton, Programme Manager
FROM:	Pamela McDonnell
DATE:	7 th December 2010
RE:	Technical Amendment to the following licence: Reg. No. P0621-02: Mr. Martin O'Donovan, Cooligboy, Timoleague, Bandon, Co. Cork.

Background and nature of request:

Mr. Martin O'Donovan was first granted a licence in February 2003 (P0621-01) for the rearing of pigs (Class 6.2). This licence was reviewed in November 2003 (P0621-02) to accommodate an increase in sow numbers and the installation of an anaerobic digester. A Technical Amendment was made in 2009 to bring the licence into conformity with the IPPC Directive and to reflect the agreement reached between the Agency and the IFA in relation to recovery of manure/slurry as a fertiliser.

The Agency received correspondence from Nutrient Recovery to Generate Electricity Ltd., acting on behalf of Mr. Martin O'Donovan (P0621-02), on the 7th October 2010, requesting an amendment to this licence under Section 96 of the EPA Acts 1992 to 2007. The Licensee requests the inclusion of a second storm water monitoring point in the licence.

The licensee originally intended to divert all storm water to one discharge point at the south east corner of the installation (SW1). However due to current pipe levels on site, this is not possible without installing a pumping system. Therefore, a second discharge point (SW2) has been installed on the south west side of the installation, which receives storm water by gravity flow. Both discharges are made into the adjacent forestry area to the south of the facility.

Cross Office Liaison

The OEE has been consulted in relation to this application. The Inspector has confirmed that this request cannot be accommodated under the current licence as the licence specifically refers to a single emission point.

The OEE carried out two site inspections at the installation this year. The non-compliances noted were in relation to: unauthorised development on site; poor management of carcasses; a lack of methodology for the assessment of tanks; and various issues relating to recording and reporting.


Assessment

The inclusion of the second storm water discharge and monitoring point in the licence will not result in any increase or change in emissions from the farm. The storm water consists of run-off from roofs and clean yard areas only.

Recommendation

I recommend that the licence amendments outlined above be approved as set out in the attached Recommended Technical Amendment.

Signed:


Pamela McDonnell
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