# Comhairle Contae Chorcaí Cork County Council 

Mr. Frank Clinton, Program Manager, Office of Climate, Licensing \& Resource Use, Environment Protection Agency, Headquarters, PO Box 3000, Johnstown Castle Estate, County Wexford.

$16^{\text {th }}$ December, 2009

Re: Waste Water Discharge (Authorisation) Regulations 2007 - fees payable in respect of applications to be submitted by $\mathbf{2 2}^{\text {nd }}$ December, 2009.

Dear Mr. Clinton,
I refer to the 72 certificate applications and 3 discharge authorisation licence applications which will be submitted by the councibunder the above regulations before the $22^{\text {nd }}$. December next.

I note that the fees payable in respect of these applications amount to $€ 246,000$ and refer you to our letter of $7^{\text {th }}$ November 2008 (sent by Ted O'Leary, Senior Executive Officer) seeking a rebate/reduction, is provided for under Art 38 (3) of the regulations. I note that since that letter the council has paid a further $€ 570,000$ in applications fees meaning that the total amount paid by the council to date amounts to $€ 1,245,000$.

As you will appreciate, in the current economic climate, the amount payable in respect of this final batch of applications is a significant sum that was not budgeted for in 2009. Moreover we have paid a substantial amount in fees already and have made our case for a reduction/rebate. Accordingly, I must advise that we are not submitting payment in respect of these applications as we anticipate the rebate due to the council exceeds the fees payable.


