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re: Notice in accordance with Regulation 25(c)(ii) of the Waste Water Discharge (Authorisation) Regulations 2007

Dear Mr. O'Mahony

I am to refer to the above referenced application for a waste water discharge certificate of authorisation relating to agglomeration named Ardgroom. Having examined the documentation submitted, I am to advise that the Agency is of the view that the documentation does not comply with Regulation 24 of the Waste Water Discharge (Authorisation) Regulations 2007.

You are therefore requested, in accordance with Regulation 25(c)(ii) of the regulations, to take the steps to supply the information detailed below:

REGULATION 24 COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

1. Assess the likelihood of significant effects of the waste water discharge(s) from the above agglomeration on the relevant European sites by referring to Circular L8/08 'Water Services Investment and Rural Water Programmes – Protection of Natural Heritage and National Monuments' issued by the Department of Environment, Heritage and Local Government. In particular, the flow diagram in Appendix 1 should be completed and the results of each section recorded. Provide details of the results of this assessment within one month of the date of this notice.

If significant effects are likely then an appropriate assessment must be carried out and a report of this assessment forwarded to the Agency within one month of the date of this notice.

You are advised to provide the requested information in accordance with the 'Note on Appropriate Assessments for the purposes of the Waste Water Discharge (Authorisation) Regulations, 2007 (S.I. 684 of 2007)' which is available at www.epa.ie/downloads/forms/lic/wwda/.

2. Confirm the design capacity of the waste water treatment plant and the current population equivalent (p.e.) being treated at the plant. Please confirm that the

current p.e. includes the maximum average weekly loading for the agglomeration having taken account of local festivals, peak holiday seasons, etc.

- 3. Please provide an update regarding the connection of the new WWTP to the village. Your response should include:
 - a. The date which the new WWTP comissioned/ shall commision;
 - b. Confirm whether the old WWTP (Septic Tank) has been fully decommisioned;
 - c. Confirm whether there shall be flows through or overflows from the old WWTP (Septic Tank);
 - d. Classify the discharge from the new plant as the primary discharge and annote reference numbers accordingly, where the new plant is operational;
 - e. Amend all maps and sections of application to show the new plant as the primary discharge, where appropriate.

Your reply to this notice should include a revised non-technical summary which reflects the information you supply in compliance with the notice, insofar as that information impinges on the non-technical summary.

In the case where any drawings already submitted are subject to revision consequent on this request, a revised drawing should be prepared in each case. It is not sufficient to annotate the original drawing with a textual correction. Where such revised drawings are submitted, provide a list of drawing titles, drawing numbers and revision status, which correlates the revised drawings with the superseded versions.

Please supply the information in the form of a one original plus one copy by 31st January 2011. In addition please submit one copy of the requested information in electronic searchable PDF format on a CD-ROM (no file to exceed 10MB) to the Agency. Please note that all maps/drawings should not exceed A3 in size.

Please note that the application's register number is A0389-01. Please direct all correspondence in relation to this matter to Administration, Environmental Licensing Programme, Office of Climate, Licensing & Resource Use, Environmental Protection Agency, Headquarters, PO Box 3000, Johnstown Castle Estate, County Wexford quoting the register number.

Yours sincerely,

Kate Stafford Inspector

Office of Climate, Licensing & Resource Use