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Notice in accordance with Article 24 of the Waste Management (Licensing) Regulations, 2004 regarding a waste licence application by Lennon Quarries Ltd.

Dear Dr Sweeney

I am to refer to the above referenced application for a waste licence relating to a facility at Tallagh, Belmullet, Co. Mayo, and your objection on behalf of the applicant, Lennon Quarries Ltd, to the Agency's Proposed Decision on that application. Having examined the documentation submitted as the objection, I am to request you in accordance with Article 24 of the abovementioned Regulations to provide further information in relation to your objection to the Proposed Decision of the Agency, as follows:

The submission of an agronomy report prepared by Mr James Carton is noted. That report finds that "the infilled area should be overlain with a layer of topsoil ca. 300mm deep, harrowed and sown with a suitable grazing grass seed mixture with lime and fertiliser applied as required." The earlier report prepared by Mr Joe Earley, as noted in your objection, concludes that "spreading the material over the site deposition area (to a depth of 2m) will [his emphasis] have a consequential benefit of improving the land for agricultural purposes."

In accordance with the provisions of Article 24 of the Regulations, you are requested to make a further submission to the Agency **setting out the reasons why a depth of two metres of fill with waste soil and stones is required in order to meet the objective of creating agricultural land of improved quality**. In making this submission, please comment on the apparent parallel (from the perspective of site restoration) between Lennon Quarries Limited's proposals and the entry in table 4.3 of the document entitled *Landfill Manuals: Landfill Restoration and Aftercare*, EPA, 1999, dealing with inert landfills with no capping layer or gas control system with afteruse of intensive grazing.

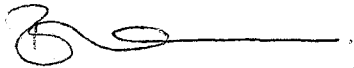
You are requested to make a submission no later than 16 March 2011. In accordance with the provisions of Article 24(b) of the Regulations, I am to inform you that if a submission in writing is not received by that date, the Agency will, after that date and without further notice to you, proceed with its consideration of the objection and make a decision in respect of the application.



Please supply the information requested in the form of one original plus one copy in hardcopy format. In addition please submit two copies of the requested information in electronic searchable PDF format on a CD-ROM to the Agency. Please note that all maps/drawings should not exceed A3 in size.

Please direct all correspondence in relation to this matter to *Administration, Licensing Unit, Office of Climate, Licensing & Resource Use, Environmental Protection Agency, PO Box 3000, Johnstown Castle Estate, County Wexford*, quoting the licence application register number W0256-01.

Yours sincerely,



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