

OFFICE OF CLIMATE, LICENSING & RESOURCE USE.

INSPECTORS REPORT ON A WASTE WATER DISCHARGE CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORISATION APPLICATION

To:	Frank Clinton, Programme Manager, ELP		
From:	Yvonne English	Environmental Programme	Licensing
Date:	2 February 2011		
Re:	Application for a Waste Water Discharge Authorisation from Cork County Council, for the agglomeration named Ardgroom, Reg. No. A0389-01.		

Schedule of Discharge Authorised:	Discharges from agglomerations with a population equivalent less than 500	
Certificate of Authorisation Application Received:	30 November 2010	
Submission(s) Received:	No	

This application relates to the Ardgroom agglomeration in County Cork. The agglomeration currently has a population equivalent (p.e.) of 220. The agglomeration is serviced by one waste water treatment plant (WWTP). The WWTP provides tertiary treatment, consisting of primary settlement tank, rotating biological contactors, final settlement tank and UV radiation, and has a design capacity of 400 p.e. This WWTP has been operational since 12 January 2011, prior to this waste water was treated at an old septic tank. The WWTP discharges to the Owenagappul River.

There are no designated or protected areas (i.e., drinking water abstractions, bathing waters, shellfish waters, salmonid waters or *Margaritifera margaritifera*) downstream of the discharge(s) from the agglomeration. Condition 3.3 of the Recommended Certificate of Authorisation (RCoA) states that the discharge(s) from the waste water works shall not cause a deterioration in the status of the receiving surface water body.

The certificate of authorisation applicant was required to complete a screening of the potential impact of the discharge(s) from the agglomeration on the designated European Site(s) downstream of the agglomeration. The certificate of authorisation applicant carried out a screening which identified that the discharge(s) was not likely to have a significant impact on a European site.

The discharge(s) from the agglomeration are considered not likely to have a significant impact on the receiving waterbody subject to the Certificate of Authorisation Holder complying with the conditions of the RCoA.

Recommendation

I recommend that a Final Certificate of Authorisation be issued subject to the conditions and for the reasons as set out in the attached Recommended Certificate of Authorisation.

Signed

Yvonne English

Inspector

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