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INSPECTORS REPORT ON A WASTE WATER DISCHARGE CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORISATION APPLICATION

То:	Frank Clinton, Programme Manager, ELP		
From:	Yvonne English	Environmental Programme	Licensing
Date:	06 May 2011		
Re:	Application for a Waste Water Discharge Authorisation from Cork County Council, for the agglomeration named Kilmurry, Reg. No. A0358-01.		

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Schedule of Discharge Authorised:	Discharges from agglomerations with a population equivalent less than 500
Certificate of Authorisation Application Received:	23 November 2010
Submission(s) Received:	No

This application relates to the Kilmurry agglomeration in County Cork. The agglomeration currently has a population equivalent (p.e.) of 42. The agglomeration is serviced by one waste water treatment plant (WWTP). The WWTP provides secondary treatment, consisting of septic tank and a peat filtration system prior to discharge. The applicant was unable to provide the design capacity of the WWTP.

The WWTP discharge drains to Buinegea River (a tributary of Lee River). Based on the nearest EPA water quality monitoring station, 2.6 km downstream, the biological Q-value is Q4 (sampled in 2008).

The applicant was unable to provide the design capacity of the WWTP. The Recommended Certificate of Authorisation (RCoA) states that within twelve months the authorisation holder shall identify appropriate improvements to the wastewater works, including a waste water treatment system necessary to ensure all discharge(s) from the agglomeration contribute towards achieving at least good status in accordance with the European Communities Environmental Objectives (Surface Waters) Regulations 2009 and/or the European Communities Environmental Objectives (Groundwater) Regulations 2010.

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 and therefore it was not necessary to complete an appropriate assessment.

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

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