


This report has been cleared for submission to the Director, by the Programme Manager Frank Clinton.  
Signed: B. Keavey Date: 21/4/2011

	<b>OFFICE OF CLIMATE, LICENSING &amp; RESOURCE USE</b>
<b>ENVIRONMENTAL LICENSING PROGRAMME MEMORANDUM</b>	
<b>TO:</b>	LAURA BURKE, DIRECTOR
<b>C.C:</b>	Frank Clinton
<b>FROM:</b>	Brian Meaney
<b>DATE:</b>	21 April 2011
	Addendum
<b>RE:</b>	Re: Proposal for a Technical Amendment to Waste Licence Register Number <b>W0044-02</b> held by <b>Padraig Thornton Waste Disposal Limited</b> in relation to a waste facility at Thorntons Recycling Centre, Killeen Road, Ballyfermot, Dublin 10.

This note is an addendum to my original report dated 15 April 2011.

#### **Section 42B(1)(c) of the Waste Management Acts 1996 to 2010**

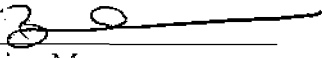
As set out in the proposed technical amendment to the licence, I propose amendment of the licence under section 42B(1)(c) of the Waste Management Acts 1996 to 2010. This section of the Acts states that the Agency may amend a waste licence for the purpose of ...facilitating the operation of the licence. The principal amendment to be made to the licence to accommodate the proposed activity is in *Part I Activities Licensed* of the licence. The description of the classes of activity as existing in the licence is the sole barrier to the proposed activity being accommodated under the existing licence. Given that it is no longer the norm to describe or restrict waste activities in this way in this part of a licence, it is proposed as reasonable to make an amendment of the nature proposed without impinging on the controls and objectives of the licence as a whole and the requirements of section 40(4) of the Acts.

Mixed municipal waste will continue to be processed at the site. But instead of being baled for disposal to landfill, it will now be mechanically processed to remove a solid recovered fuel (SRF/RDF) fraction and organic fines (for stabilisation or for landfill). This process change will divert waste from landfill and move it up the waste hierarchy, a move supported by the principles of the Waste Framework Directive (98/2008/EC) and the European Communities (Waste Directive) Regulations 2011.

#### **Liaison with the Office of Environmental Enforcement**

The Office of Environmental Enforcement has indicated it cannot agree to the process changes under the existing licence due to the restrictions imposed by the descriptions of licensed classes of activity in *Part I Activities Licensed* of the licence.

Signed:

  
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Brian Meaney  
Environmental Licensing Programme