ATTACHMENT B7

This Waste Licence Application provides for the restoration of a worked out quarry void in the townland of Brownswood, Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford. Restoration of the former quarry will comprise backfilling using imported and existing stockpiled inert soil and stones. Minor quantities of imported recovered inert construction and demolition waste (principally crushed concrete, brick etc.) will be used for construction of temporary haul roads across the site.

The proposed restoration scheme provides for

- (i) Use of inert natural materials, principally excess soil, stones and/or broken rock excavated on construction sites, to backfill and restore a large existing void created by previous rock extraction
- (ii) Separation of any non-inert construction and demolition waste (principally metal, timber, PVC pipes and plastic) unintentionally imported to site prior to removal off-site to appropriately licensed waste disposal or recovery facilities
- (iii) Temporary stockpiling of topsoil and subsoil pending re-use as cover material for restoration of the site
- (iv) Restoration of the backfilled void (including placement of cover soils and seeding) and return to use as agricultural grassland
- Environmental monitoring of noise, dust, surface water and groundwater for the duration of the site restoration works.

Principal Activity

The Principal Activity is Class R5 of the Fourth Schedule of the Waste Management Acts (1996-2011) (recycling or reclamation of other inorganic materials which includes soil cleaning resulting in recovery of the soil and recycling of inorganic construction materials). This waste activity class covers the principal activity at the waste recovery facility, namely backfilling of the existing quarry void using inert soils and stones.

Other Activities

Other classes of waste activity at the application site include :

- (i) Class R3 of the Fourth Schedule (recycling or reclamation of organic substances which are not used as solvents). This relates to the importation and placement of topsoil for site restoration purposes.
- (ii) Class R13 of the Fourth Schedule (storage of waste pending any of the operations R1 to R12). This relates to stockpiling of imported inert soils and stones prior to placement and recovery in-situ and stockpiling of construction and demolition waste prior to processing.

Full details of the proposed waste recovery facility are provided in Chapter 2 of the Environmental Impact Statement.