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**OFFICE OF CLIMATE, LICENSING & RESOURCE USE**

**ENVIRONMENTAL LICENSING PROGRAMME MEMORANDUM**

<b>TO:</b>	DARA LYNOTT, DIRECTOR
<b>C.C:</b>	Frank Clinton, Programme Manager
<b>FROM:</b>	Brian Meaney, Senior Inspector
<b>DATE:</b>	20 <sup>th</sup> January 2012
<b>RE:</b>	Request for a Technical Amendment to Waste Licence Register Number <b>W0220-01</b> , held by <b>Greenstar Ltd</b> in relation to a transfer station at <b>Ramstown, Gorey, Co. Wexford</b> .

Greenstar Ltd.'s transfer station is located in a small industrial estate on the southern outskirts of Gorey. It is authorised to accept up to 30,000 tonnes per annum of non-hazardous household, commercial, industrial and C&D waste for recovery and disposal. The facility was licensed in September 2006. The licence has not been reviewed or amended.

**Details of request for technical amendment**

The licensee has requested amendment under Section 42B of the Waste Management Acts 1996 to 2008. The technical amendment relates to condition 1.5 of the licence that refers to a drawing defining the boundary of the licensed area. An extension to the licensed area is requested in order to provide for the installation of a weighbridge at the facility.

Condition 1.5 states:

- 1.5 For the purposes of this licence, the facility authorised by this licence, is the area of land outlined in red on Drawing No. B.2.2 of the application. Any reference in this licence to "facility" shall mean the area thus outlined in red. The licensed activities shall be carried on only within the area outlined.

The attached drawing illustrates the licensee's proposal. The new weighbridge cannot be accommodated within the existing site boundary due to the size of the weighbridge, the layout of the site entrance and for health and safety and manoeuvrability reasons. The facility is located in an industrial estate. The landowner, Gorey Business Park, has no objection to the relocation of the weighbridge at the entrance to the facility.

In EPA audits, it was noted that the licensee does not weigh waste leaving the facility in articulated vehicles as the existing weighbridge is too small. The OEE has

expressed dissatisfaction with this situation. In 2009, OEE requested technical amendment of the licence to include a new condition requiring the use of an on-site weighbridge to weigh *all* waste vehicles entering and leaving the facility. This request will also be accommodated in the proposed technical amendment accompanying this memo as an amendment to condition 3.9 of the licence by way of the insertion of a new Condition 3.9.4.

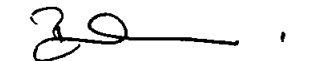
Overall, the proposal to install a weighbridge at the facility that is usable by all vehicles entering and leaving the facility is to be regarded as a positive development. The need is acknowledged by the licensee and OEE.

No additional potential for environmental pollution is anticipated on foot of the licence amendments proposed. The works for the installation of the weighbridge will require approval from OEE as provided for in *Schedule D: Specified Engineering Works* of the licence: "Development of the facility installation of waste handling processing recycling/recovery infrastructure".

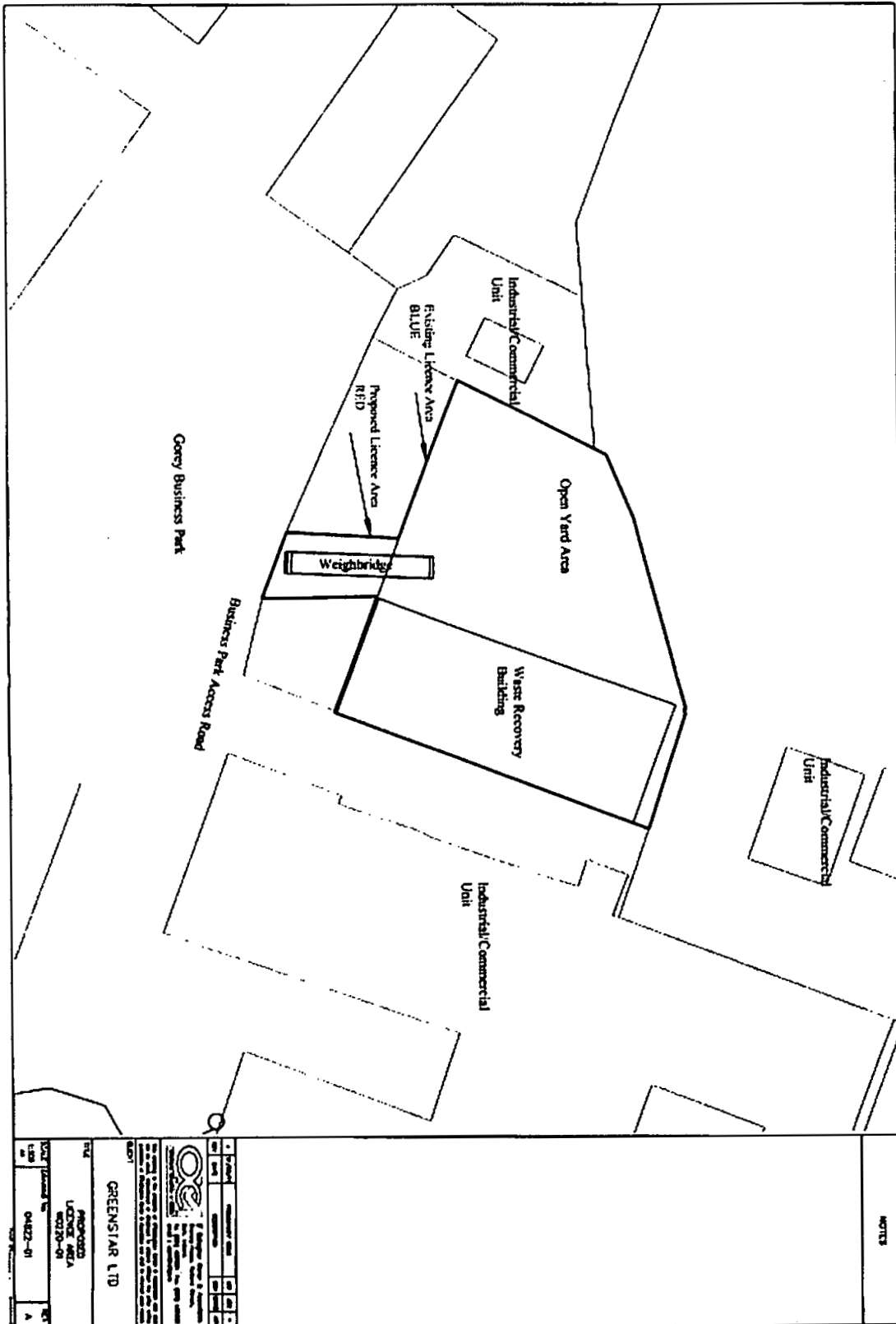
### **Recommendation**

For the reasons outlined above I recommend that the Agency agrees to a technical amendment of licence register number W0220-01 under Section 42B(1)(c) of the Waste Management Acts 1996 to 2011.

Signed:



Brian Meaney



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1	Proposed	01/01/2001	01/01/2001	01/01/2001	01/01/2001
2	Existing	01/01/2001	01/01/2001	01/01/2001	01/01/2001
3	Proposed	01/01/2001	01/01/2001	01/01/2001	01/01/2001
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