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Dear Ms Rooney

I refer to your letter dated 14 March 2012 in relation to your application for a waste licence, Register Number W0129-03.

I regret the delay in coming to a decision on your application, however, I can assure you that considerable progress is being made on the assessment of your application.

I have been informed that a further Article 14 Notice as well as an Article 16 Notice pursuant to the Waste Licensing Regulations will issue in the coming days, as further information will be required in order to make a proper assessment of your application. The Agency has had to engage the services of a specialist hydrogeologist to examine some of the issues presented in your waste licence application. The time required by this specialist to examine the application, as well as the time required for the licensing inspector to consider the findings of the specialist account substantially for the time delays which have been encountered.

You will know that the previous two licence applications made by you involved an inert landfill. On this occasion the proposal includes non-hazardous and hazardous waste landfill cells. You will appreciate that the scale and complexity of such an application presents new challenges to the Agency and to yourselves in providing adequate evidence that, amongst other matters, environmental pollution will not be caused.

Finally, I would like to reassure you that as soon as a full application has been submitted by you, together will any additional information required by the Agency to carry out a full assessment of the proposals submitted, a decision on your application will be made as early as possible thereafter.

Yours sincerely,

Frank Clinton.

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