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17th September 2012

Re: Amendments to existing Permissions for Waste to Energy Plant at Carranstown, Duleek, County Meath.

Dear Madam,

I have been asked by An Bord Pleanala to refer to the above-mentioned case.

Further to the Board's recent letter to you in connection with the oral trearing, please find enclosed herein for your information "Proposed Agenda/Order of Appearance" document for the said hearing, also some detailed notes relating to the agenda.

In the event that observers envisage difficulties in terms of their day-time attendance at the hearing, you are hereby advised that a time slot between 6p.m. - 8p.m. on Monday 1st October will be provided for the making of these submissions. Intention to make a submission during this time should be communicated to the presiding inspector at the commencement of the hearing, at which time the inspector will review attendance and outline the plan of proceedings for the hearing.

If you have any queries in relation to the matter please contact the undersigned officer of the Board.

Please quote the above-mentioned An Bord Pleanála reference number in any correspondence or telephone contact with the Board.

Yours faithfully,

Kieran Somers Executive Officer

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CARRANSTOWN ORAL HEARING OCTOBER 2012

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RE: AMENDMENTS TO MEATH WASTE-TO-ENERGY FACILITY

PROPOSED AGENDA/ORDER OF APPEARANCE

Summary Schedule

Module A (Opening of Oral Hearing)

- Opening remarks by Inspector.
- Review of attendance and outline plan of proceedings.
- Applicants' summary of description of physical development and explanation of planning permission sought (30 minutes maximum.)

Module B (Presentation/Submissions)

- 4. Applicants' substantive submission.
- 5. Observers' submissions (including Public Representatives.)
- 6. Prescribed Bodies.
- 7. Planning Authority Meath County Council.

Module C (Cross-questioning of/by Parties)

- 8. Compliance with official Planning Policy including Waste Management Policy.
- 9. Emissions to air and water; human health.
- 10. Impact on natural heritage.
- 11. Impact on cultural heritage.
- 12. Roads and Transportation issues.
- 13. Other Issues.

Module D (Planning Conditions)

14. Without prejudice Inspector-led discussion on conditions.

Module E (Closing Submissions)

- 15. Participating parties may give a brief oral summary of their views (several minutes maximum per summary.)
- N.B. Please see enclosed detailed notes on the order of proceedings which includes certain specific matters (i-viii in Module B) to be presented/discussed at the oral hearing.

NOTES ON DETAILED ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS

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Module A (Opening)

Participants are requested to inform the Inspector, during this session, of the estimated time required to complete their submissions in *Module B*.

Applicants should regard the submitted planning application, Environmental Impact Statement and further information as read. The purpose of agenda Item 3 is to summarise the proposed development including previously notified amendments.

Module B (Presentations)

The substantive submission for applicants should include and be confined generally to:

- Responses to observer and prescribed body submissions made to An Bord Pleanála if
 not already submitted in further information provided to An Bord Pleanála, and
 responses to the Meath County Manager's Report where not already submitted in
 further information provided to An Bord Pleanála, and
- The specific matters (i-v) identified below of
 - (i) Any results of ambient air quality monitoring carried out in the vicinity of the plant since 2007.
 - (ii) A definition of and essential characteristics of 'suitable' hazardous waste.
 - (iii) Information on (including any assessment of) expected fugitive emissions from hazardous waste delivered to the plant.
 - (iv) Information on (including any assessment of) stack emissions of non-regulated pollutants (e.g. ultrafine particulates) not covered by the Waste Incineration Directive.
 - (v) Results of any analysis of bottom ash and flue gas residue since the opening of the plant

Observer submissions already made to An Bord Pleanála within the statutory deadline (June 2012) may be taken as read. Oral hearing submissions should be confined to necessary elaboration of submissions made and/or observations on material presented by the applicants, and other parties including the submission of the Planning Authority (Meath County Manager's Report.)

The Planning Authority submission should be confined generally as above, and in addition provide some elaboration and/or other relevant information in respect of the matters (vi-viii) below.

- Implications of low calorific value of residual municipal waste in Ireland vis-(vi) à-vis biodegradable municipal waste targets per the Landfill Directive
- Information on existing public awareness campaigns conducted in the North (vii) East Waste Management Region in regard to recycling of municipal and commercial waste.
- (viii) Implications of anticipated revised regional waste management configurations referred in the recently published A Resource Opportunity - Waste Management Policy in Ireland (Department of Environment, Community and Local Government July 2012.)

Module C (Cross-Questioning)

It is intended to break this module into broad sections related to the main subject headings raised in submissions made in the case including, but not necessarily confined to the subject headings identified in agenda items 8 - 12.

Consent of copyright owner required f The intended order of questioning (if any) of the parties (by any party) is as set down below, subject to the discretion of the Inspector.

Applicants.

Planning Authority.

Prescribed Bodies.

Observers.

Module D (Planning Conditions)

Discussion under this heading is strictly without prejudice to the full consideration by An Bord Pleanála of all submissions made.

Module E (Closing Submissions)

Those making closing submissions will be confined to a maximum of five minutes; and 10 minutes in the case of the Planning Authority and the applicants. The order of closing submissions will be the reverse of the order set out under Module C above, i.e. finishing with the applicants. Closing submissions present an opportunity to summarise the position of the parties having heard all presentations and responses to questions etc. It is not a time for the presentation of any new material, under any circumstances, and in particular written material cannot be presented as part of any closing submission.