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RE: Request for Technical Amendment of Waste Licence W0225-01 An Daingean Civic Amenity Site – Conditions 1.6.1 & 1.6.2

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Kerry County Council as licensee request that conditions 1.6.1 & 1.6.2 of Waste Licence W0225-01 are varied through a Technical Amendment.

This request is made in accordance with Section 42B (1) of the Waste Management Acts 1996-2012.

Background to Request

The Waste Acceptance Hours and Hours of Operation for the facility are outlined in conditions 1.6.1 & 1.6.2 of the Waste Licence below:

- 1.6.1 With the exception of emergencies or as may be agreed by the Agency, waste shall be accepted at or despatched from the facility only between the hours of 0830 and 1700 Monday to Friday inclusive with the exception of one late-opening evening per week (0830 and 1900), and 0830 and 1300 on Saturdays.
- 1.6.2 The facility shall be operated only during the hours of 0800 and 1730 Monday to Friday inclusive with the exception of one late-opening evening per week (0800 and 1930) and 0800 to 1330 on Saturdays.





Kerry County Council requests the Agency to extend the Waste Acceptance Hours on Saturdays to 1700 and the Hours of Operation on Saturdays to 1730. The facility is located in a quiet rural area and no complaints have been received to date regarding noise, nuisances or Saturday opening times. Because of the low Tonnages (in 2011 only 219T of mixed municipal waste and 202T of materials for recycling and recovery were accepted at this facility) a three day week is currently in operation to reduce operating costs and improve the feasibility of the service. To meet the requirements of the public we now seek a technical amendment to the waste licence extending the Waste Acceptance Hours on Saturdays to 1700. Kerry County Council currently proposes to have this facility open to the public 3 days a week on the following days and times;

- Tuesdays (11:00 to 19:00 hours)
- Thursdays (9:00 to 17:00 hours)
- Saturdays (9:00 to 17:00 hours).

The proposal is assessed under the following headings.

A) Details of the requested change(s)

Kerry County Council requests the Agency to alter conditions 1.6.1 & 1.6.2 of the Waste Licence to extend the Waste Acceptance Hours on Saturdays to 1700 and the Hours of Operation on Saturdays to 1730.

B) Reasons for the change(s) requested

The Tonnages of materials accepted at the facility are significantly less than expected (219T of mixed municipal waste and 202T of materials for recycling and recovery in 2011) resulting in the decision to operate a 3 day week in order to cut costs. One of these opening days needs to be a Saturday to meet the service levels expected by the public. Kerry County Council seeks to extend the opening hours on Saturdays to enable the facility to be open for 3 full days rather than 2½ days/week.

C) Details of any increase or changes in emissions resulting from the change(s)

There will be no increase in emissions from the facility. There will most likely be a reduction in emissions as the facility will only be open 3 days per week compared to the $5\frac{1}{2}$ days/week allowed in the licence.

D) An assessment of the likely impacts of any increase/changes in emissions

There are no anticipated impacts associated with the change in Saturday opening hours.

I hope the above is to the satisfaction of the Agency and should you require any further information or assistance do not hesitate to contact me at the number listed below.

Yours faithfully,

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