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**Environmental Licensing Programme** Office of Climate, Licensing & resource use, P. O. Box 3000 Johnstown Castle Estate, Co. Wexford.

Date 17th June 2013

Re: Waste license application (receipt No. 12104) copy enclosed. For Mr. Badri Gharzeddine T/A Enviro Star Solutions.

Dear Sir/Madam,

The above application was lodged with the R.P.A. on the 11<sup>th</sup> January 2013. We were told at the time of lodging the application would take up to four months to be processed.

Five months later we are told "We may not get to it this year, and it should be processed in 2014 provided no further applications of higher priority are received."

Six months on all the E.P.A. have done is to check the site notice.

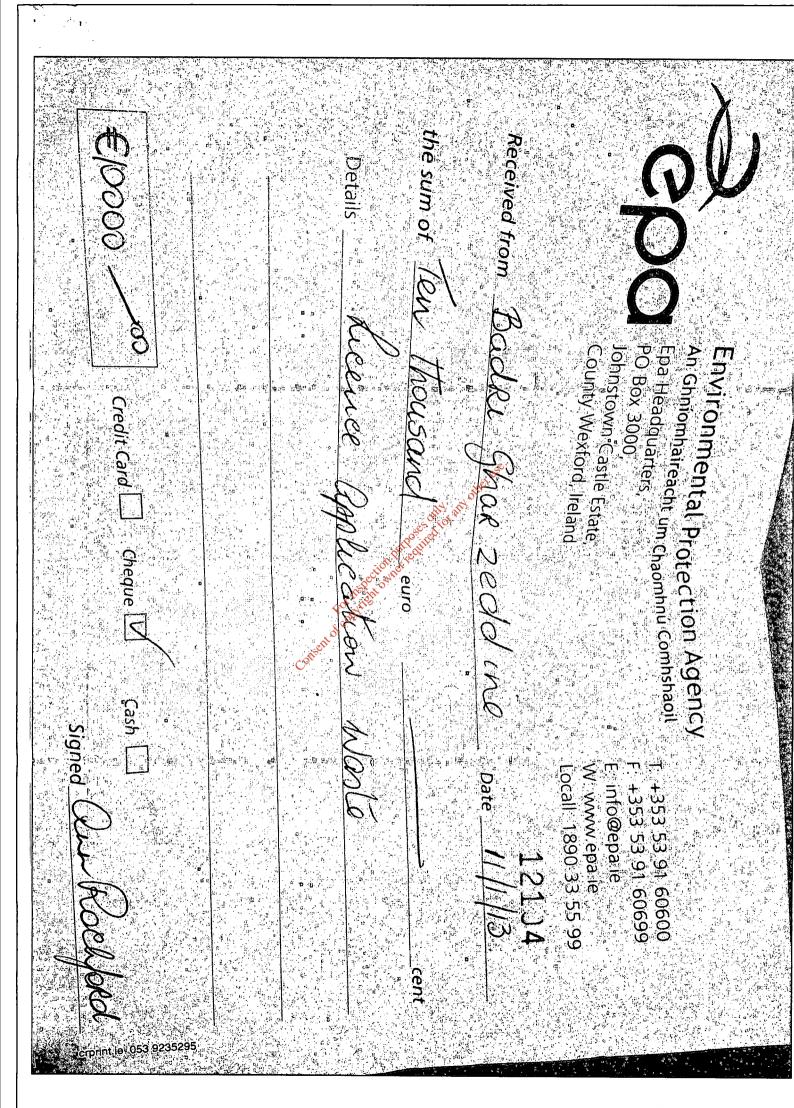
My client is at a huge loss to date as he has incurred losses to date in the order of € 1,000/ month, (€ 6,000) The cost of the preparing the application, (€ 3,000) € 10,000 application fee. A total of € 19,000.

My client has therefore instructed me to withdraw the application an seek a full Refund of € 10,000 as no work has commenced on the application and according to our latest contact is not lightly to happen until 2014 depending on the priority.

Please give this matter you immediate attention.

Yours truly

Enc. Copy E.P.A. receipt and e-mails.



## **Eddie Desmond**

From:

Michael Owens [m.owens@epa.ie]

Sent:

28 May 2013 14:34 Eddie Desmond

To: Subject:

RE: Message from EPA.

Hello Eddie,

Thank you for the update. You will have to formally notify the Agency (i.e. write to the Environmental Licensing Programme) seeking withdrawal of the application. You should also state that you are seeking a refund of the application fee.

Regards,

Michael

Michael Owens
Environmental Protection Agency

**From:** Eddie Desmond [mailto:eddiedesmond@ejdesmondarchitects.com]

**Sent:** 28 May 2013 12:01 **To:** Michael Owens

Subject: RE: Message from EPA.

From: EJDesmond Architects Planning [mailto:planning@ejdesmondarchitects.com]

Sent: 15 May 2013 15:58

To: eddiedesmond@ejdesmondarchitects.com

Subject: FW: Message from EPA.

Dear Michael,

Thank you for you e-mail of 15<sup>th</sup> May 2013. I have taken instructions from my client and they are as follows;

- a) Withdraw application immediately and insist that a full refund be returned, on the basis that no work by the epa was carried out other than an inspection of site notice. € 3.000.00 for the inspection is not justifiable.
- b) The application itself is quiet straightforward and in my clients estimation should take no longer than 2/3 days work.
- c) My client further estimates losses to date of circa € 16,000.00 (deposit € 1,000.00 + 5 months rent on premises € 5,000.00)+ (€ 10,000.00 Fee to epa).
- d) He is now looking at relocating his business elsewhere,

I would be grateful if you would forward this request to the appropriate section for processing.

Regards,

Edmond Desmond

From: Michael Owens [mailto:m.owens@epa.ie]

Sent: 15 May 2013 14:53

To: planning@ejdesmondarchitects.com

**Subject:** Message from EPA.

Hello Eddie,



You have the option of withdrawing your application and seeking a refund. At this stage, the most that you are likely to get back is 70% of the fee but it is up to you (if you wish) to make a case to seek more than that. Decisions on these matters are made by the Director.

If you withdraw and then reapply you risk the application going to the back of the queue although in light of that it may be possible to make a case for the new application to be processed in advance of another.

The Agency cannot grant a licence for an activity without a premises or facility. The licence refers to a boundary so there must be a piece of ground to which the licence applies. If you change premises, you would have to change the application.

It is my guess that we will get to your application sometime next year but that is subject to resource constraints and to the potential for other higher priority that may arise (which often does).

That's all I can say for now.		
Regards,		
Michael		
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