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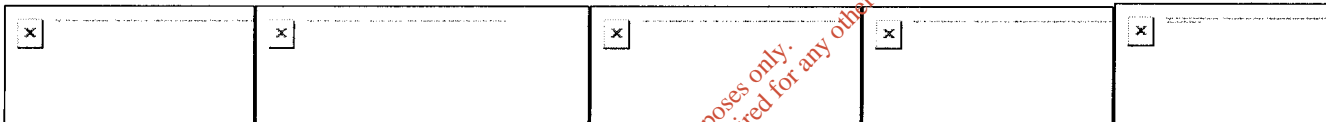
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Maire,

Please find attached some comments in relation to the P0914-01 Westland Horticulture - IPPC application/EIA

Kind Regards,  
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With regard to your correspondence received on the 6<sup>th</sup> August 2013, please find below comments in relation to the submitted EIA:

The EIA should consider any impacts direct and indirect (past, ongoing and future) of the development on:

- Human Beings,
- Fauna and Flora,
- Soil,
- Water,
- Air,
- Climatic Factors,
- Landscape,
- Material Assets, including the Architectural and Archaeological Heritage and Cultural Heritage
- The inter-relationship between the above factors.

It shall take account of the all ecological sensitivities and of the likely environmental effects of the proposed project on the receiving environment.

The status of the development under the Planning Acts and legal implications of same should be documented.

Relevant cdp policies (including draft cdp for Westmeath) and objectives in relation to biodiversity, peatlands, economy, tourism and the protection of environmental assets should be included

All the in combination and cumulative affects of the development within zone of influence of the development including :

- Direct habitat loss
- Raised bogs are European priority habitats listed under Annex I of the Habitats Directive 92/43/EEC European Commission's Interpretation Manual of European Union Habitats. Blanket bogs and raised bogs are European priority habitats if they are 'active'. The manual defines active as to mean "still supporting a significant area of vegetation that is normally peat forming". habitat type, under the spirit of the habitats directive it should not be destroyed.
- Impacts on water quality and the River Inny including impact on Lough Derravaragh SPA, NHA and Garriskil Bog SPA, SAC, and designated wetland sites infrastructure (e.g. roads, power supply or waste water disposal)
- Impacts of development (including existing and future operations) on roads network in area-routes, loading, frequency
- Impacts of long-term dewatering operations, and consequences for water-dependent habitats within zone of influence of peat extraction.
- Impacts on archaeological heritage
- Socio economic impacts

- Impacts on tourism and tourism potential
- Impacts on water quality including construction impacts Water quality is one of the factors influencing vegetation; and input of nutrients,
- Impacts on hydrological processes
- Impacts on Habitats
- Impacts on / Disturbance to Protected species
- Need to review and consider the sites conservation restoration potential
- Impacts on /potential effects on bird populations in the wider area.
- Impacts in relation to Air & Climate Emissions
- Impacts resulting from emissions connected with construction traffic and dust generated from disturbed ground during dry periods.

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