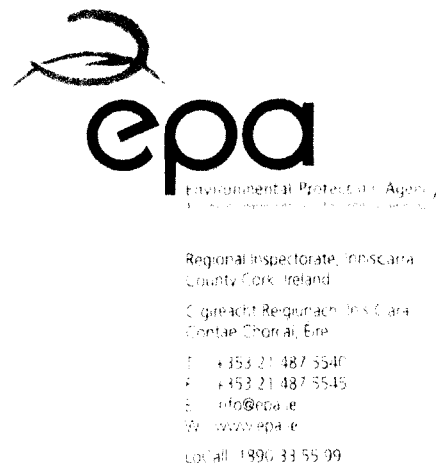


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**Notification of Planning Application for Renewable Bioenergy Plant, Roadstone Wood's
Huntstown Quarry, Huntstown, North Rd, Finglas, Dublin 11**

Dear Mr. McCabe

I refer to your letter received 22nd August 2013 requesting comments from the Agency on the Planning Application and EIS for the above referenced development.

A Waste Licence application was made by Roadstone Wood Limited (Register No: W0277-01) on the 22/2/11 for the Huntstown Inert Waste Recovery Facility, Huntstown Quarry, Finglas, Dublin 11. The licence application was accompanied by an EIS. The licence application and EIS may be viewed on the Agency's website www.epa.ie. It is noted that the licence application and EIS received by the Agency from Roadstone Wood Limited only address the soil recovery/quarry backfill activity and do not address the proposed bioenergy plant. The applicant has not requested that the bioenergy plant be included in the Huntstown Inert Waste Recovery Facility (W0277-01) licence application.

The bioenergy plant proposed may require a separate licence application. The Agency has not received a licence application relating to the bioenergy plant. The applicant should be advised to contact the Agency with clarification in relation to this matter.

It is noted that the planning application was accompanied by an EIS. The EIS appears to address the key points in relation to the environmental aspects of the proposed activity which relate to the matters that come within the functions of the Agency. It also appears to address the direct and indirect effects of the development on the aspects of the environment listed in Article 3 of Directive 2011/92/EU on the assessment of the effects of certain public and private projects on the environment.

Should the development fall under the licence application for Huntstown Inert Waste Recovery Facility, all matters to do with emissions to the environment from the activities proposed, the licence application documentation and EIS (when submitted as part of the licence application) will be considered and assessed by the Agency. Any observations received from the relevant planning authorities will also be taken into account as part of the Agency's assessment and before making a decision in relation to the licence application.

If a new licence application is received for the bioenergy plant, the Agency shall ensure that before the licence is granted, the licence application will be made subject to an Environmental Impact Assessment as respects the matters that come within the functions of the Agency and in accordance with Section 83(2A) and Section 87(1G)(a) of the EPA Act 1992, as amended, or Section 40(2A) and Section 42(1G)(a) of the Waste Management Act, 1996 as amended. In addition, consultation on the planning application, licence application and EIS will be carried out in accordance with Section 87 (1B) to (1H) of the EPA Acts or Section 42(1B) to (1H) of the Waste Management Acts.

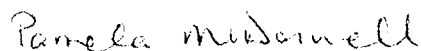
Where the Agency is of the opinion that the activities, as proposed, cannot be carried on, or cannot be effectively regulated under a licence then the Agency cannot grant a licence for such a facility. Should the Agency decide to grant a licence in respect of the activity, as proposed, it will incorporate conditions that will ensure that appropriate National and EU standards are applied, and that Best Available Techniques (BAT) will be used in the carrying on of the activities.

You are advised of the following documents:

- BATNEEC guidance note – Waste Sector (IPPC) 1996
- BREF on waste treatments industries 2006
- BREF for Large Combustion Plant
- BAT Guidance Note for the Energy (Large Combustion Plant) Sector
- National legislation regarding emissions.

Please note that where a new licence application is required for the bioenergy plant, the Agency cannot issue a Proposed Determination until a planning decision has been made (please see Section 42(1D)(d) of the Waste Management Acts, or Section 87(1D)(d) of the EPA Acts). Please note that you will be requested to provide the documentation relating to the EIA you have carried out to the Agency under Section 173A(4) or 173B(4) of the Planning and Development Acts 2000, as amended.

Yours sincerely,



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