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OFFICE OF CLIMATE, LICENSING & RESOURCE USE

Licensing Programme Memorandum	
To:	Directors
FROM:	Michael Owens Inspector
C.C:	Frank Clinton, Programme Manager
DATE:	13 February 2014
RE:	Decision & Reasons For The Decision – Additional text for the Final Decision for licence review application W0195-02 made by Padraig Thornton Waste Disposal Ltd, Ballynalurgan, Kilmainham Wood, Kells, County Meath.

This memo relates to an application for a review of a waste licence made by Padraig Thornton Waste Disposal Ltd. The Inspector's Report on the application (dated 25 June 2013) was presented to the Board on 23 July 2013. A proposed Decision issued on the 1 October 2013.

As described in the Inspector's Report a screening for appropriate assessment was undertaken to assess, in view of scientific knowledge and the conservation objectives of relevant European sites, if the activity, individually or in combination with other plans or projects is likely to have a significant effect on relevant European sites. The screening assessment demonstrated that the activity is not likely to have significant effects, in terms of maintaining favourable conservation status of the qualifying interests, on the European sites having regard to their conservation objectives. It is necessary, in accordance with Agency procedures, to insert appropriate text in the Decision and Reasons for the Decision of the licence that is to the granted. The proposed text is as follows:

A screening for Appropriate Assessment was undertaken to assess, in view of best scientific knowledge and the conservation objectives of the site, if the activity, individually or in combination with other plans or projects is likely to have a significant effect on European Sites. In this context, particular attention was paid to the European site at Killyconny Bog (Cloghbally) [site code: 6] and the Agency considered, for the reasons set out below, that the activity is not directly connected with or necessary to the management of this site as European Site and that it can be excluded on the basis of objective scientific information, that the activity, individually or in combination with other plans or projects, will have a significant effect on a European site, and accordingly the Agency determined that an Appropriate Assessment of the activity is not required. It has been determined that this facility does not have the potential for significant effects on any European site due to the absence of significant environmental emissions, the absence of pathways and the distance to European sites mitigates against the potential for significant effects on any European site.

Given the nature and location of the proposed expanded activity, and the potential sources, pathways and receptors, there will be no resulting impact on the designated European Site(s) either as a result of the development or in combination with any other developments.

Signed

Michael Owens