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OFFICE OF CLIMATE, LICENSING &
RESOURCE USE

ENVIRONMENTAL LICENSING PROGRAMME MEMORANDUM

TO: DARA LYNOTT, DIRECTOR

C.C: Frank Clinton

FROM: Brian Meaney

DATE: 01 October 2013

RE: Application by **Indaver Ireland** for an extension of the duration of waste licence register number **W0186-01** in relation to a waste facility including a hazardous and non-hazardous waste incinerator at Ringaskiddy, Co. Cork.

Indaver Ireland is licensed to operate a waste facility including a hazardous and non-hazardous waste incinerator at Ringaskiddy, Co. Cork. The facility, incorporating a civic waste facility, transfer station, fluidised bed incineration plant and moving grate incineration plant is authorised to accept up to 215,260 tonnes of waste per annum.

The facility was licensed on 24 November 2005. The licensed activity has not commenced. Condition 1.10 of the licence states that the specified period for the purposes of section 49(2) of the Waste Management Acts 1996 to 2013 is 8 years. This means that the licence will expire on 24 November 2013 if the licensed activity is not commenced.

Correspondence dated 28 February 2013 was received from Indaver Ireland Ltd in accordance with section 49(2) of the Waste Management Acts 1996 to 2013. An extension of five years to November 2018 is sought.

Indaver Ireland Ltd stated that on 30 August 2012, consultations were entered into with An Bord Pleanála regarding the classification of the development as Strategic Infrastructure Development. These consultations are ongoing. If An Bord Pleanála agrees that the development is SID, a new Environmental Impact Statement will be prepared by the licensee before a SID application is made. The SID process itself will take up to six months. All in all, it is anticipated by the licensee that a SID planning decision would be forthcoming within some two years from now.

At present, no alterations to the existing plans for the facility are proposed. The environmental aspects of the development, as considered by the Agency in deciding to grant a waste licence, remain unchanged. A licence review is not currently anticipated.

Recommendation

It is not clear whether the licensed facility will in fact be constructed and it is apparent from the licensee's submission that this will depend on whether planning permission is granted. Given the licensee's plans to continue to pursue planning permission, it is appropriate to allow time for such a decision to be made. I recommend a two-year extension up to 24 November 2015 during which time it should become evident whether planning permission as Strategic Infrastructure Development will be granted.

Signed

Brian Meaney