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**Licensing Programme Memorandum**

<b>TO:</b>	Dara Lynott, Director
<b>FROM:</b>	Leo Sweeney, Inspector
<b>DATE:</b>	7 <sup>th</sup> July 2014
<b>RE:</b>	Request for a Technical Amendment to Waste Water Discharge Licence Register Number D0347-01, for <b>Glaslough</b> agglomeration.

**Introduction**

The licensee was first granted a Waste Water Discharge Licence for the Glaslough agglomeration by the Environmental Protection Agency on the 09/02/2011, Reg. No. D0347-01.

**Request for requested Technical Amendment (TA)**

In correspondence to the Agency dated 09 September 2013 the licensee requested a technical amendment of this licence (Reg. No. D0347-01) to facilitate the revision to the Emission Limit Value (ELV) – for COD from 50 mg/l to 75 mg/l, an amendment to *Schedule A.1 Primary Discharge*.

The licensee justifies this request on the basis of persistent difficulties in consistently achieving the current ELV.

On consideration of the submission from the licensee with regard to this proposed change, I recommend that it is appropriate to deal with this request by way of Technical Amendment.

**Additional Amendments**

The TA also facilitates amendments to the licence in line with changes in the Licensing, Enforcement and Monitoring Application (LEMA) which aims to employ contemporary ICT<sup>1</sup> and GIS<sup>2</sup> technologies to enhance the work procedures of Agency staff through the elimination of duplication, reduction of reliance on manual procedures and promotion of strategic practices. The development of LEMA requires that a number of changes be incorporated into the licences in order to ensure that LEMA will enhance Agency efficiency.

The majority of the recommended changes in the proposed technical amendment relate to *Condition 4: Control and Monitoring* and *Condition 5: Programme of Improvements*. The proposed changes also include a number of amendments to the Glossary of Terms as well as the addition of several new terms, resulting from the changes to the conditions of the licence.

<sup>1</sup> Information and Communications Technologies

<sup>2</sup> Geographical Information System

The TA addresses the lack of consistency in the naming convention that has been used to date for discharge points in the licences. The TA proposes to amend this ensuring that a consistent coding system is assigned, along with an EDEN<sup>3</sup> code assigned to the discharge point. These changes apply to all of the Schedules of the licence that refer to either discharge points or monitoring points, including stormwater overflows.

The TA requires that the grid references for all discharge points and monitoring locations be included in the licence. This is to aid in the implementation of the LEMA tool to provide for better sharing of environmental data and improve efficiencies across the Agency.

Birds Directive [79/409/EEC] & Habitats Directive [92/43/EEC]

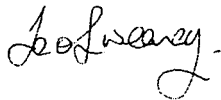
A screening for Appropriate Assessment was undertaken to assess, in view of best scientific knowledge and the conservation objectives of the site, if the activity, individually or in combination with other plans or projects is likely to have a significant effect on a European Site(s). The Agency considered, that the activity is not directly connected with or necessary to the management of those sites as European Sites 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. Accordingly the Agency determined that an Appropriate Assessment of the activity is not required.

**Recommendation**

The amendment as drafted accedes to the request from the licensee in relation to *Schedule A.1* and updates the licence as set out under *Additional Amendments*, above.

I recommend that the licence amendment be approved as set out in the attached recommended Technical Amendment. Such an amendment does not result in the relevant requirements of Regulation 6(3) of the *Waste Water Discharge (Authorisation) Regulations, 2007, as amended*, ceasing to be satisfied.

Signed



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Leo Sweeney.

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<sup>3</sup> EDEN is the Local Authority interface with Agency ICT systems.