



Re: Notice in accordance with Regulation 18(3)(b) of the Waste Water Discharge (Authorisation) Regulations 2007, as amended.

06 October 2014

Dear Ken,

I refer to your application for a waste water discharge licence relating to agglomeration named Whitegate/Aghada, Reg. No. D0423-01.

Having examined the documentation submitted, I am to advise that the Agency is of the view that the documentation does not comply with Regulation 16 of the Waste Water Discharge (Authorisation) Regulations 2007, as amended.

You are therefore required, in accordance with Regulation 18(3)(b) of the Regulations, to take steps to supply the information detailed below:

REGULATION 16 COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

1. Provide the effluent monitoring results for BOD, COD, suspended solids, orthophosphate and total ammonia and other parameters, as appropriate, in respect of the primary discharge for 2013.
2. Confirm the normal and daily maximum effluent volumes emitted from the primary discharge, expressed as m³/day.
3. In Section C1.1 of your application you have stated that there is a storm water overflow in the agglomeration and in Section G.4 Storm Water Overflow you have stated that there are no Storm water overflows. Clarify if there are storm water overflows in the agglomeration. If present indicate the frequency of discharge, if appropriate and supply the grid references for the discharge of each storm water overflow.
4. In Section C 1.1 of the application you state that there are 2 pump station (PS). Indicate if there are emergency overflows at each of these PS.
Note that emergency overflows include overflow mechanisms constructed as part of pump sump infrastructure, whereby a power failure, essential maintenance or other similar interruption in normal operations results in a discharge of untreated waste water from the sump as a consequence of the pumps being disabled - discharges resulting from insufficient hydraulic capacity within the system are not regarded as emergency discharges.

A screening for Appropriate Assessment was undertaken on 2nd October 2014 and the Agency determined that an Appropriate Assessment of the activity is required.

You are thereby required to submit a Natura Impact Statement, as defined in Regulation 2(1) of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations (S.I. No. 477 of 2011).

You are furthermore advised to refer to the EPA's guidance 'Note on Appropriate Assessments for the purposes of the Waste Water Discharge (Authorisation) Regulations, 2007 (S.I. No. 684 of 2007), as amended', which is available at <http://www.epa.ie/pubs/forms/lic/wwda/wastewaterdischargelicensingappropriateassessmentguidancenotes.html> and to refer to the document '*Appropriate Assessment of Plans and Projects in Ireland – Guidance for Planning Authorities*', issued in 2009 by the Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government, and revised in 2010. This document is available at: http://www.npws.ie/publications/archive/NPWS_2009_AA_Guidance.pdf.

Your reply to this notice should include a revised non-technical summary which reflects the information you supply in compliance with the notice, insofar as that information impinges on the non-technical summary.

In the case where any drawings already submitted are subject to revision consequent on this request, a revised drawing should be prepared in each case. It is not sufficient to annotate the original drawing with a textual correction. Where such revised drawings are submitted, provide a list of drawing titles, drawing numbers and revision status, which correlates the revised drawings with the superseded versions.

Please supply the information by 28th November 2014. Please note that all maps/drawings should not exceed A3 in size.

Please direct any queries that you may have in relation to the above to the Inspector Éimer Godsil at 021-4875540 or to OCLR Admin Team E.

Yours sincerely,

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