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Office of Climate, Licensing & Resource Use,
Environmental Protection Agency,
Headquarters,
PO Box 3000,
Johnstown Castle Estate,
County Wexford

The Environment
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19th November 2010.

Re: D0296-01 - Baltimore Waste Water Discharge Licence Application -

Dear Sir or Madam,

I refer to licence issued to Cork County Council dated 31st May 2010. We note in section A.1 of Schedule A the following Parameters and Emission limit Values:

Parameter	Emission Limit Value
Dissolved Inorganic Nitrogen (as N)	35
Total Oxidised Nitrogen	35
Ammonia	35

We wish to clarify whether Total Oxidised Nitrogen and Ammonia ELV's should be recorded as N for emission limit value purposes. Any such changes can be incorporated under a clerical technical amendment using section 33(1) a of S.I. 684 of 2007 (Wastewater Discharge Authorisation Regulations 2007)

We also note that in S.I. 272 there is no limit for Dissolved inorganic nitrogen (DIN) for assessment of Transitional Water Table 9.

Cork County Council started the procurement process for the Design Build and Operation (DBO) of Wastewater treatment Plants at Skibbereen, Baltimore, Schull and Dunmanway in October 2008 prior to the enactment of S.I. 272 in 2009. At the time there were no limits put in the performance specification for Dissolved Inorganic Nitrogen, Total Oxidised Nitrogen or Ammonia as there was no statutory legislation or obligation in place at that time.

The imposition of these limits at this stage compromises the DBO Contract and imposes unnecessary and substantial extra capital and operational costs on Cork County Council. Cork County Council request a technical amendment under section 33(1)c of S.I. 684 of 2007 (Wastewater Discharge Authorisation Regulations 2007) to the above licence to remove the above ELV's to be consistent with the performance specification of the DBO Contract and Table 9 of S.I. 272 of 2009.

Yours sincerely,


Molra Murrell
Director of Services
Cork County Council

Baltimore Technical Amendment Request

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Memo to the Licensing Programme Unit (OCLR)

Request for Amendment to a Waste Water Discharge Licence

A request for an amendment to the waste water discharge licence detailed below was received by the OEE. This request for an amendment to the licence is being forwarded to the Licensing Programme Unit in OCLR for consideration and reply to the licensee as appropriate.

Please revert to the OEE with the view of OCLR on whether the issues raised by the licensee should be enforced by the OEE or whether these issues necessitate an amendment of the licence.

Local Authority

Cork County Council (CCC)

Agglomeration Licence Register No.

Baltimore and Environs.
D0296-01

Details of the request for an amendment to the waste water discharge licence

A letter dated the 19th November 2010 was received from Cork County Council requesting an amendment to the Baltimore WWDL under section 33(1) of SI 684 of 2007. A copy of the letter received is attached

CCC are requesting a technical review of the following emission limit values;

- Dissolved Inorganic Nitrogen - 35 mg/l.
- Total Oxidised Nitrogen - 35mg/l
- Ammonia - 35mg/l

CCC wish to clarify whether this Total Oxidised Nitrogen and Ammonia ELV's should be recorded as N, and request that the above ELV's be removed from the licence so as to be consistent with the DBO contract for this treatment plant.

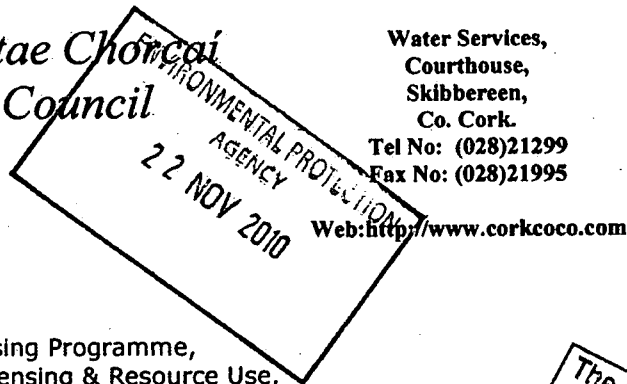
Details on any meeting with the licensee on the issues	N/A
Meeting Date	N/A
Venue	N/A
EPA Attendees:	N/A
Third Party Attendees:	N/A
Issues Discussed; To Action Items; Responsibility for Action.	N/A
Documents handed over or received	N/A
Communication of information to other agencies / authorities	N/A

Signed:	<i>Brendan Wall</i> Brendan Wall Manger, Environmental Enforcement Water
Date:	28/1/11

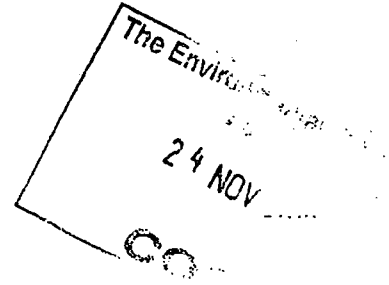
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