

Appropriate Assessment Screening Determination

In accordance with Regulation 42(1) of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations, 2011, S.I. No. 477 of 2011, the Agency has undertaken Appropriate Assessment screening to assess, in view of best scientific knowledge and the conservation objectives of the site, if the proposed activity, individually or in combination with other plans or projects is likely to have a significant effect on a European Site. In this context, particular attention was paid to the European Site listed below.

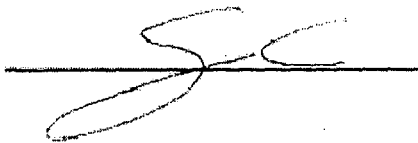
Licence/Permit Application Details:

Reg. No.	P0643-03
Applicant Name:	Abbie Ireland NL B.V.
Location of Installation	Manorhamilton Road, Sligo, County Sligo
Type of Consent Sought:	Licence Review
Licence Application Date:	17 September 2015
European Site(s) assessed:	Lough Gill SAC (Site code: 001976), Cumeen Strand/Drumcliffe Bay SAC (Site code: 000627), Ben Bulben, Gleniff and Glenade Complex SAC (Site code: 000623), Ballysadare Bay SAC (Site code: 000622), Union Wood SAC (Site code: 000638), Unshin River SAC (Site code: 001898), Streedagh Point Dunes SAC (Site code: 001680), Cumeen Strand SPA (Site code: 004035), Drumcliffe Bay SPA (Site code: 004013), Sligo/Uplands SPA (Site code: 004187)
Date of AA Screening Determination:	06 November 2015

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That the proposed activity is not directly connected with or necessary to the management of any European Site and that it can be excluded on the basis of objective scientific information, that the proposed activity, individually or in combination with other plans or projects, will have a significant effect on any European site, and accordingly the Agency determined that an Appropriate Assessment of the proposed activity is not required.

This determination was made in light of the scale and nature of emissions to the environment; in particular scale and nature of the emissions to air from the installation, and their distance to terrestrial habitats. Air dispersion modelling demonstrates that that emissions from the proposed activity will not result in ground level concentrations which exceed the relevant air quality standards for the protection of vegetation and the environment. With regards to hydrologically linked sites, it has been determined that the Sligo municipal WWTP has the capacity to sufficiently treat the effluent discharges from the activity; and that furthermore, there are no direct emissions to surface water or emissions groundwater from the installation. Specific precautionary infrastructural and procedural measures are in place at the installation to prevent significant impacts occurring due to chemical spills or fire.

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Date: 06 November 2015
Gavin Clabby
Office of Climate, Licensing and Resource Use