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By Email

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Re: Drehid Waste Management Facility (W0201-03) - Technical Amendment Request

Dear Mr. Clinton,

Since the commencement of 2016, the engineered landfill at the Drehid Waste Management Facility (EPA Licence ref. W0201-03) has been experiencing significant demand for void space, well over the 120,000 tonnes per annum (tpa) annualised disposal run-rate of the current permissions, following the conclusion of the previously permitted 7 year period of intensification up to 360,000 tpa.

The principal rationale for the permitted intensification was the delay in delivery of planned significant waste management infrastructure, particularly the Dublin Waste-to-Energy facility.

The previously permitted intensification was facilitated by a permitted extension of the landfill footprint. As shown in the table below, the increased capacity in Drehid over the period 2009 to 2015 inclusive was somewhat underutilised, leaving approximately 480,000 tonnes of permitted sapacity unutilised at the end of 2015.

Drehid	Disposal	Tonnes	Tonnes	Tonnes
Year	ABP Ref. No	Permitted	editane Utilised	Under-Utilised
2009	PL.09.PA0004	360,000 Graph	188,095	171,905
2010	PL.09.PA0004	360,000	328,230	31,770
2011	PL.09.PA0004	360,000	315,799	44,201
2012	PL.09.PA0004	360,000	295,111	64,889
2013	PL.09.PA0004	360,000	310,900	49,100
2014	PL.09.PM0003	360,000	282,117	77,883
2015	PL.09.PM0003	360,000	320,000	40,000
		2,520,000	2,040,252	479,748

Although planning permission was received in October 2008,

the waste licence was only reviewed in April 2009

We therefore request a Technical Amendment of **Note 3** to **Table A.2.1** of the licence to facilitate the continued acceptance of the increased figure of 360,000 tpa of residual waste to be permitted until the end of 2017.

Yours Sincerely,

John Connolly

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