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Reg. No: P1042-01      LoCall: 1890 33 55 99

IE Licence Application by Mr Michael Noel O'Connor in respect of Rathcahill West,  
Templeglantine, Newcastlewest, County Limerick.

Dear Ms O'Brien

I refer to the application for an IE licence, reference number P1042-01, in respect of an installation at Rathcahill West, Templeglantine, Newcastlewest, County Limerick.

I am to advise you in accordance with Regulation 42(8)(a) of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 as amended, that the Agency has made a determination that an Appropriate Assessment is required as the project, individually or in combination with other plans or projects, is likely to have a significant effect on a European site(s). Notification of this determination is attached for your reference. Please note a Natura Impact Statement was requested in the Agency's notice dated 26<sup>th</sup> August 2016, issued in accordance with Regulation 10(2)(b)(ii) of the EPA (Industrial Emissions) (Licensing) Regulations 2013.

In carrying out an Appropriate Assessment the Agency shall take into account each of the matters specified in Regulation 42(12) of the European Communities (Birds and Habitats) Regulations 2011 as amended, where applicable.

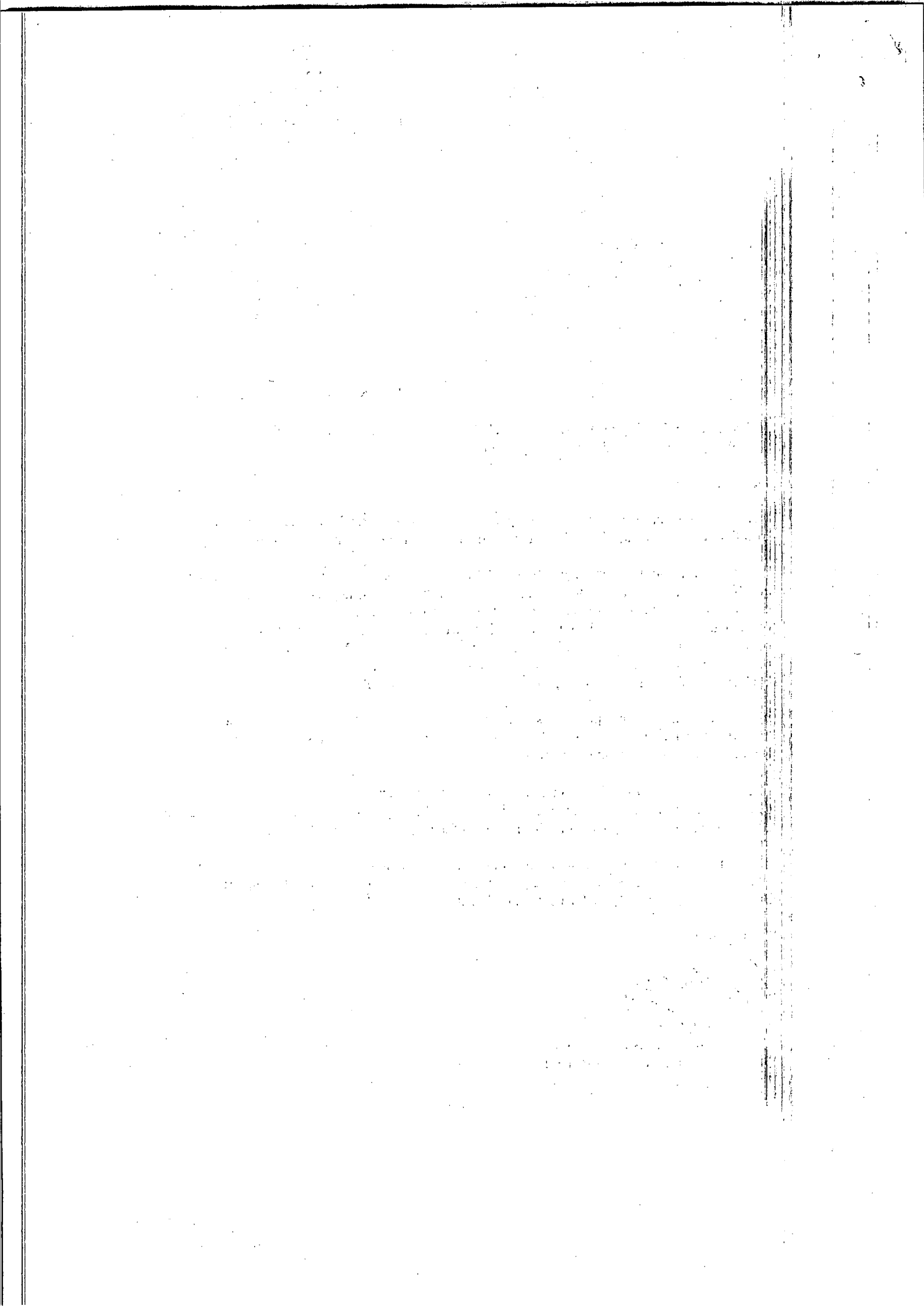
The application and associated correspondence, including acknowledgements, notifications and general correspondence are available to view on the Agency website at [www.epa.ie](http://www.epa.ie). You are advised to refer to the website for information on the progress of the application.

Please direct any further correspondence in relation to this matter to Administration, Office of Climate, Licensing & Resource Use, Environmental Protection Agency, Headquarters, P.O. Box 3000, Johnstown Castle Estate, County Wexford.

Yours sincerely,



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## Appropriate Assessment Screening Determination

In accordance with Regulation 42(1) of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 as amended, the Agency has undertaken Appropriate Assessment screening 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 European Sites. In this context, particular attention was paid to the European Sites listed below.

**Consent Details:**

<b>Reg. No.</b>	P1042-01
<b>Applicant Name:</b>	Mr. Michael Noel O'Connor
<b>Type of Consent Sought:</b>	IE Licence
<b>Location of Installation:</b>	Rathcahill West, Templeglantine, Newcastlewest, County Limerick
<b>Licence/Permit/Certificate/Review/Technical Amendment/ Licence Extension Application Date:</b>	5 <sup>th</sup> July 2016
<b>European Site(s) assessed:</b>	Stacks to Mullaghareirk Mountains/West Limerick Hills and Mount Eagle SPA (site code 004161) Lower River Shannon SAC (site code 002165) Blackwater River (Cork/Waterford) SAC (site code 002170) Moanveanlagh Bog SAC (site code 002351)
<b>Date of AA Screening Determination:</b>	23 <sup>rd</sup> August 2016

**AA Screening Determination:**

That the activity is not directly connected with or necessary to the management of any European site and that it cannot be excluded, on the basis of objective information, that the activity, individually or in combination with other plans or projects, will have a significant effect on any European site and accordingly determined that an Appropriate Assessment of the activity is required, and for this reason determined to require the applicant to submit a Natura Impact Statement.

This determination is based on the proximity of the installation to the Mullaghareirk Mountains/West Limerick Hills and Mount Eagle SPA (site code 004161) and the potential for ammonia in air emissions from the activity to contribute to elevated ammonia levels at that European site.

Pamela McDonnell

Date: 23/8/16

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