

ATTACHMENT B7

This Waste Licence Review Application in respect of the existing licenced inert soil waste recovery facility at Huntstown Quarry, Finglas, Dublin 11 (Ref. W0277-01) provides for

- (i) An increase in the rate of importation of inert soil and stone waste used in the restoration of quarry voids (and backfilling to former ground level), from the current maximum of 750,000 tonnes per annum (permitted by the current waste licence) to a maximum of 1,500,000 tonnes per annum;
- (ii) Extension of the existing licensed area to also provide for the backfilling of the West Quarry;
- (iii) Additional backfilling of an area at the North Quarry which has been quarried in recent years and likely to be further quarried in the near future;
- (iv) An increase in the total infill / intake capacity of the facility, from 7,295,000 tonnes (approximately 3,840,000m³) at present, to 9,550,000 tonnes (approximately 5,025,000m³);
- (v) Some minor modifications to the existing licensed area to take account of changes in land ownership and re-alignment of internal haul roads around the quarry complex in recent years.

Principal Activity

The Principal Activity is Class 5 as per the Fourth Schedule of the Waste Management Act 1996, as amended (recycling or reclamation of other inorganic materials, which includes soil cleaning resulting in the recovery of the soil and recycling of inorganic construction materials). This waste activity class covers the principal activity at the waste recovery facility, namely backfilling of the existing quarry void using imported inert soils and stone waste.

Other Activities

Other classes of waste activity at the application site include

- (i) Class R3 of the Fourth Schedule (recycling or reclamation of organic substances which are not used as solvents). This relates to the importation and placement of topsoil (an organic material) for site restoration purposes.
- (ii) Class R13 of the Fourth Schedule (storage of waste pending any of the operations numbered R1 to R12 (excluding temporary storage, pending collection, on the site where the waste is produced). This relates to stockpiling of imported inert soils and stones prior to placement and recovery by placement on land.

A detailed outline of the proposed changes to the design and operation of the existing recovery facility at Huntstown are provided in Chapter 2 of the Environmental Impact Statement which accompanies this waste licence review application.