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**RE: Industrial Emissions Activities Licence Application for Michael Noel O' Connor,  
Rathcahill West, Templeglantine, Newcastle West, Co. Limerick. Reg. No: P1042-01.**

Dear Sir/Madam,

I refer to your letter dated 26<sup>th</sup> August 2016 and subsequent letters on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2016 and 13<sup>th</sup> March 2017 in relation to the above referenced Industrial Emissions Activities Licence Application for Michael Noel O' Connor.

We here-in attach our clarification response.

I trust that this submission meets with your requirements.

Yours Sincerely,

*Juicase O'Brien*

Date 16/06/2017

Included with this submission:

One signed original, with one hardcopy, as well as two copies of all documents in electronic searchable PDF format on CD-ROM

*1. A screening for Appropriate Assessment was undertaken on 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2016 and the Agency determined that an Appropriate Assessment of the activity is required. Screening undertaken by the Agency, using SCAIL Agriculture, has shown that ammonia in air emissions from the activity has the potential to contribute to elevated ammonia levels at the Stacks to Mullaghareirk Mountains/West Limerick Hills and Mount Eagle SPA (site code: 004161). The SCAIL Agriculture screening tool is available at: <http://www.scail.ceh.ac.uk/>.*

*You are thereby required to submit a Natura Impact Statement, as defined in Regulation 2(1) of the European Communities (Bird and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 as amended [Regulation 9(2)(k)].*

*You are furthermore advised to refer to the document ‘Appropriate Assessment of Plans and Projects in Ireland – Guidance for Planning Authorities’, issued in 2009 by the Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government, and revised in 2010. This document is available at: [http://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/NPWS\\_2009AA-Guidance.pdf](http://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/NPWS_2009AA-Guidance.pdf).*

**RESPONSE:**

Please find enclosed an Appropriate Assessment Report carried out by Pat Doherty of Doherty Environmental.

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