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Dear Ms. O'Brien,

I refer to your application for a licence for Mr. Michael Noel O'Connor.

I am to advise in accordance with Regulation 10(2)(b)(ii) of the EPA (Industrial Emissions) (Licensing) Regulations 2013, that the following information is required in support of the application under Regulation 9 of the Regulations:

A screening for Appropriate Assessment was undertaken on 23rd 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 were required by the Agency on 26 August 2016 to submit a Natura Impact Statement, as defined in Regulation 2(1) of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 as amended [Regulation 9(2)(k)]. Your reply to this request was received by the Agency on 23 June 2017. Your reply was assessed and the content deemed to be insufficient as it does not qualify as an NIS.

You are required to submit a Natura Impact Statement (NIS) to enable the Agency to carry out a full Appropriate Assessment (AA).

You are 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_2009_AA_Guidance.pdf.

In addition to the above please also provide an updated non-technical summary to reflect the information provided in your reply.

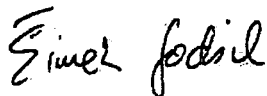
Note: Any *telephone enquiries* in relation to the above should be directed to Elmer Goddall at the number above.
All *written communications and replies* should be directed to Elizabeth Leacy, Office of Environmental Sustainability, EPA, PO Box 3000, Johnstown Castle Estate, County Wexford.

The requested information should be submitted to the Agency within *4 weeks* of the date of this notice, in order to allow the Agency to process and determine your application.

In the circumstances, you should make arrangements to have the required documents (1 signed original and 1 copy in hardcopy format, and 2 copies of all files in electronic searchable PDF format on CD-ROM) submitted to the Agency. Your response to this request should be directed to Elizabeth Leacy, Administration Officer, Office Environmental Sustainability.

It should be noted that the eight-week period within which the Agency is to decide the proposed determination will commence on the day on which this notice has been complied with. If you have any further queries please contact Éimer Godsil at the number above.

Yours sincerely



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