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Dear Mr O'Brien,

I refer to your application for a licence review. 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:

1. The application specifies that the farm will operate as a 1,500 sow integrated pig farm. Please clarify the following (in accordance with Regulation 9(2)(c)):
 - (a) Confirm the number of sow places. It should be noted that the number of places for sows should include served gilts as per Danish ECJ judgement case C-585/10.
 - (b) Confirm the number of places for production pigs (>30kg) that will be housed on site.

In addition, a screening for Appropriate Assessment was undertaken on 12th October 2017 and the Agency determined that an Appropriate Assessment of the activity is required.

The Agency notes your correspondence received on 18th January 2018 and notes that the information provided did not change the SCAIL screening. This screening has shown that there is likely to be elevated nitrogen deposition rates at the Blackwater River (Cork/Waterford) SAC (Site Code 002170). The SCAIL agricultural screening model 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 (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 as amended.

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_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 **Mary Sheehan** 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 four months 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 Ms Mary Sheehan at the number above.

Yours sincerely,



Mary Sheehan
Environmental Licensing Programme
Office of Environmental Sustainability

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