

OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

	Environmental Licensing Programme Memorandum
То:	Eimear Cotter, Director
From:	Suzanne Wylde, Inspector, Environmental Licensing Programme
Date:	1 October 2018
RE:	Request for a Technical Amendment to Waste Water Discharge Licence Register Number, D0058-01, held by Irish Water, for the Fermoy Agglomeration.

Introduction

A Waste Water Discharge licence (Register Number D0058-01) was first granted for the Fermoy agglomeration by the Environmental Protection Agency on 5th December 2011. The licence was subsequently amended on 25th June 2014.

Request for Technical Amendment

Irish Water requested a technical amendment to the discharge licence on 10th November 2017 under Regulation 33(1) of the Waste Water Discharge (Authorisation) Regulations, 2007, as amended. The request was to remove a secondary discharge point (SW004) and to amend *Schedule B.2 Monitoring of Secondary waste water discharge* to remove the requirement for monitoring the discharge point.

The secondary discharge point (SW004) discharges treated process effluent from an EPA licensed installation. The discharge point also discharges cooling water from a second industry. Irish Water have stated that no municipal waste water from either of these industries is discharged into the storm water sewer.

The proposal to remove this particular discharge point requires more information than is provided for by Irish Water and as such I cannot determine if the proposal may have further implications for the EPA, Irish Water and/or the other industries concerned in respect of the other EPA licences or any other environmental authorisations that may be in place.

Consultation with the Office of Environmental Enforcement (OEE).

I have consulted with the OEE in relation to this technical amendment request. The OEE confirmed that there are no legal proceedings in train in respect of this licence.

Recommendation

I recommend that the requested licence amendment be refused due to insufficient information to make an informed decision.

Signed

Suzanne Wylde

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