

Attachment 2.5.3 – Technical Knowledge

1.0 SITE MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL

Harte Peat Limited will have overall responsibility for the management and operation of the facility. Whilst all staff have responsibilities for environmental and health and safety matters, the responsibility for the facilities maintenance and compliance with its Industrial Emissions licence rests with the facility the General Manager. The general manager is supported by the Operations Manager.

The ultimate responsibility for compliance with its Integrated Pollution Control Licence will rest with the directors of Harte Peat Limited. Aidan O’Harte as managing director is the signatory for the IPC Licence application (see Attachment 10.1) and on the Financial Commitments Declaration (see Attachment 2.5).

Harte Peat Limited is a family owned business, set up in 1987 by Tommy and Kay O’ Harte to provide quality casing soil to the mushroom industry. The directors of Harte Peat Limited have been involved in peat extraction operations for over 30 years and have an experienced team to manage the sites.

The management structure of Harte Peat relevant to the peat extract operation is shown below:

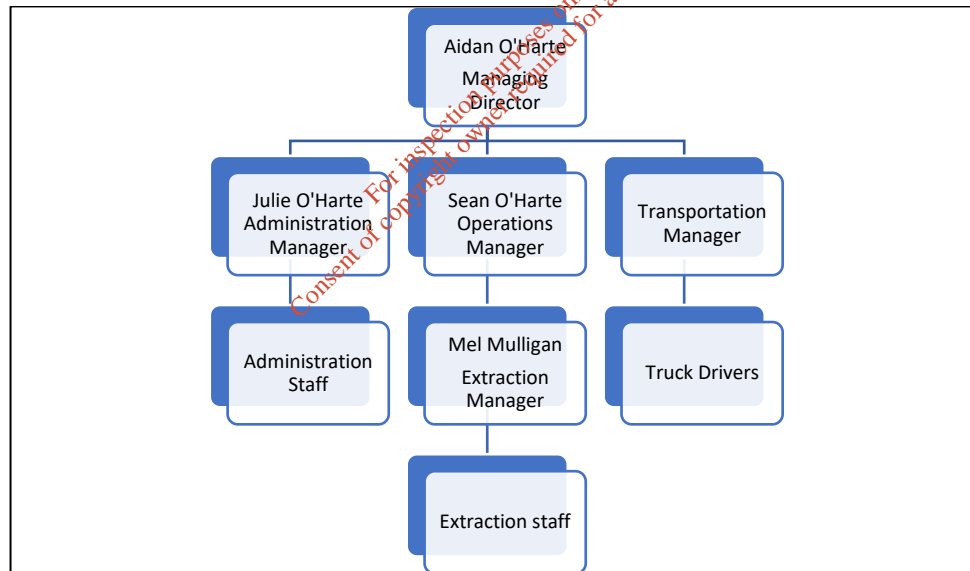


Figure 1.1: Harte Peat Ltd management structure for peat extraction sites.

2.0 SITE OPERATIVES RELEVANT TO LICENCE

2.1 AIDAN O’HARTE –MANAGING DIRECTOR

Aiden O’Harte as the General Manager and has ultimate responsibility for the site and as such for the IPC licence. Aiden has worked in the peat extraction business for over 20 years.

Aiden will also be responsible for ensuring that sufficient systems and controls are in place to ensure compliance can be met and that any non-compliance is adequately addressed.

2.2 SEAN O'HARTE – OPERATIONS MANAGER

Sean O'Harte is the Operations Manager and has responsibility of directing operations at the site. Sean has worked in the peat extraction business for over 10 years.

His role, with support from external consultants, will include coordinating and leading the Environment, Health and Safety (EHS) functions at the extraction sites.

2.3 EXTRACTION MANAGER

The extraction of peat at the bog is managed by Mel Mulligan. Mel has previously worked for Bord na Mona and various other companies in similar roles and has over 30 years' experience in the extraction of peat.

Mel manages the on-site staff during the extraction work.

2.4 EXTERNAL CONSULTANTS

Harte Peat Limited intends to employ expert consultants for advice to support the implementation of the license. This will include the development of EHS policies, undertaking health and safety and environmental audits, monitoring and ensuring environmental compliance, and managing incidents.

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