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Ms. Fiona Berry, Programme Officer,
Environmental Licensing Programme,
Office of Environmental Sustainability,
EPA Headquarters, PO Box 3000,
Johnstown Castle Estate,
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Reg. No: W0224-01

Re: Application in accordance with Section 49 (2)(b) of the Waste Management Acts 1996 to 2011, in respect of a Waste Licence issued to Kerry county Council for the Listowel Civic Amenity Centre, Tanavalla Industrial Estate, Garryantanvally, Tralee Road, Listowel, Co. Kerry.

Dear Ms. Berry,

I refer to the above licence and your correspondence of 12th December 2017 on which an extension of two years was granted in accordance with Section 49 (2)(b) of the Waste Management Act.

There is no Civic Amenity Site provided either by Kerry County Council or the private sector north of Tralee town. This matter has been raised by the members of the Listowel Municipal District, who are most anxious to have a Civic Amenity Site located in Listowel Town. Kerry County Council recently organised a visit by elected members of the Listowel Municipal District to Dingle Civic Amenity Site & Kerry County Council have given a commitment to the Listowel Municipal District Members to investigate fully all options available to it to progress the development of this site with a view to providing the required waste infrastructure to the people of North Kerry. It seems likely that a proposal to build a Civic Amenity Site on this site would enjoy the overwhelming support of the Listowel Municipal District Members.

A complication is that the access to the site is onto a portion of the N69 where the maximum speed limit applies. A recent planning application to use this access (*for a different proposal*) was refused by Kerry County Council – following strong representations from TII – on road & traffic safety grounds. It might invite adverse comment were Kerry County Council to use this junction ourselves to access a Civic Amenity Site.

However, the proposed Listowel by-pass has advanced through CPO stage. Advance works have commenced, land agreements are being negotiated and it is hoped to commence construction in early 2020 with the road completed by Q4 2021 / Q1 2022.

At that stage the N69 will follow the route of the by-pass and the proposed civic amenity site will be accessed via a local road. Planning applications will no longer attract comment from TII, traffic volumes on the road will be lower, the speed limit will be reduced and the reason for refusal will have been addressed.

In light of the above, and also having regard to the ambitious targets set out in the recent Southern Region Waste Management Plan, Kerry County Council believes that the need to provide a civic amenity facility in the North Kerry Area has become more urgent.

I therefore wish to formally seek an extension of licence reference no W0224-01 for a period of two years commencing on the 21 December 2019.

Yours sincerely

PP 
Mr Gerard O'Brien,
A/SEO Environmental Services.

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