

Extract from the Minutes of the 1004th Licensing Meeting of the Agency was held on 15 April 2020, in EPA Headquarters, Johnstown Castle Estate, County Wexford

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Directors Present: L Burke (Chair);
G O’Leary (via Video Conference), M Lehane (via Video Conference), E Cotter (via Video Conference) & T Ryan (via Video Conference).

4. **Objection to a Proposed Determination of an Application for an Industrial Emissions Licence**

(ii) *Licensee:* **AbbVie Ireland NL B.V.**
Old Bundoran Road
Ballytivnan
Sligo

Register of Licence No: **P1087-01**

The Directors considered the following documentation: Proposed Determination issued on 6 December 2019; one First-Party objection; and the Report and Recommendations of the Technical Committee, Office of Environmental Sustainability.

A copy of the licence application was available electronically.

Niamh Connolly and Marie O’Connor gave verbal presentations.

Technical Committee Report

The Directors noted the Technical Committee Report (TCR). The Directors also noted a typographical error in the text used for Condition 6.9 referred to in Objection A.5 of the TCR. The Directors approved the recommendations of the Technical Committee with the following amendments:

Glossary of Terms

Include a new glossary term to read as follows:

‘Accident *For the purposes of this licence an accident means an unplanned event that may result in pollution.’*

Conditions

6.9 Amend the condition to read as follows:

‘The integrity and water tightness of all tanks, bunding structures, containers and underground pipes and their resistance to penetration by water or other materials carried or stored therein shall be ~~tested and~~ demonstrated by the licensee within three months of the date of the grant of this licence. ~~This~~ *Testing of integrity and water tightness* shall be carried out by the licensee at least once every three years thereafter and reported to the Agency on each occasion. This testing shall be carried out in accordance with any guidance published by the Agency. A written record of all integrity tests and any maintenance or remedial work arising from them shall be maintained by the licensee.’

11.4 Amend the condition as follows and renumber accordingly:

‘The licensee shall notify the Agency by both telephone and either email or webform, to the Agency’s headquarters in Wexford, or to such other Agency office as may be specified by the Agency, as soon as practicable after the occurrence of any of the following:

- (i) an incident or accident as defined by the glossary;
- ~~(ii) any release of environmental significance to atmosphere from any potential emissions point including bypasses;~~
- (iii) any breach of one or more of the conditions attached to this licence.
- ~~(iv) any malfunction or breakdown of key environmental abatement, control or monitoring equipment; and~~
- ~~(v) any incident or accident as defined in the glossary requiring an emergency response by the Local Authority.~~

The licensee shall include as part of the notification, date and time of the incident, summary details of the occurrence, and where available, the steps taken to minimise any emissions. All details required to be communicated must be in accordance with any Guidance provided by the Agency.’

Following discussion, the Directors decided to grant a licence, as modified, to AbbVie Ireland NL B.V., for their installation located at Old Bundoran Road, Ballytivnan, Sligo, Register of Licence No P1087-01, subject to the conditions as set out in the licence.