Appropriate Assessment Screening Determination

In accordance with Regulation 42(1) of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 as amended, the Agency has undertaken Appropriate Assessment screening to assess, in view of best scientific knowledge and the conservation objectives of the site, if the proposed activities, individually or in combination with other plans or projects is likely to have a significant effect on European Sites. In this context, particular attention was paid to the European Sites listed below.

Consent Details:

Reg. No.	W0303-01
Applicant Name:	Dublin City Council
Type of Consent Sought:	Waste
Location of facility:	St. Margaret's Road, Ballymun, Dublin 11, Dublin
Licence Application Date:	19 June 2019
European Sites assessed:	North Bull Island SPA (Site Code: 004006)
	South Dublin Bay and River Tolka Estuary SPA (Site Code: 004024)
	North Dublin Bay SAC (Site Code: 000206)
	South Dublin Bay SAC (Site Code: 000210)
Date of AA Screening Determination:	16 th July 2020

AA Screening Determination:

That the proposed activities are not directly connected with or necessary to the management of any European site and that it can be excluded, on the basis of objective information, that the proposed activities, individually or in combination with other plans or projects, will have a significant effect on any European site and accordingly determined that an Appropriate Assessment of the proposed activities was not required.

This reasons for this determination are as follows:

- The proposed facility is not located within or directly adjacent to any designated European Site;
 the nearest site is approximately 5.5 km away. As such, direct impacts on qualifying interests do not arise.
- There are no process emissions to air, ground, groundwater, surface water or foul sewer from the facility. Storm water is discharged to a storm water drain. As such there is unlikely to be significant impacts on air and marine water quality upon which the qualifying interests depend.
- There is no direct hydrological connection between the facility and European sites. The nearest surface water (Santry River) is 500m to the north, there are no surface waters at the site; all drains in the vicinity of the site are culverted. Groundwater percolation at the site is poor.

The risk of environmental pollution arising from the facility is low due to the small scale of the
activity, the type of waste to be accepted, the impermeable surfaces where waste handling will
take place, the sealed containers within which waste will be contained and the regular removal
of waste off site.

Date: 16th July 2020

Jim Johnson

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