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TO:	Board
FROM:	Marie O'Connor, Programme Manager, Environmental Licensing Programme
DATE:	19 October 2020
RE:	Clarification on request for Technical Amendment from Irish Water for Midleton Agglomeration D0056-01

Irish Water have stated by e-mail on 19/10/2020 that they '*confirm that the proposed change to the agglomeration will not result in an increase in the PE (population equivalent) of 18,742 to which the original application relates*'.

In those circumstances the proposed amendment to allow for an increase in the boundary would not result in a material change in the discharges to which the current licence relates or the conditions of the licence ceasing to be satisfied.

The new Waste Water Discharge (Authorisation) Reg 2007-2020 (Reg. 5(1A)) requires Irish Water to make an application for a review of a WWDL if the agglomeration expands to a higher PE than for which the licence was granted.

The emission limit values in the WWDL will remain unchanged however the inclusion of a limitation on the population equivalent to which the licence relates would serve to strengthen the WWDL licence. This would also provide additional clarification to the Licensee and provide that the environmental assessments carried out by the Agency in determining the WWDL remain applicable.