

EIA Screening Determination

In accordance with Section 40(2A) of the Waste Management Act 1996, as amended, the Agency has, as part of its consideration of the Waste licence application referenced below, determined whether the application should be made subject to an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) as respects the matters that come within the functions of the Agency. The determination, and the reasons for the determination, are detailed below.

Licence Application Details:

Reg No.	W0308-01
Applicant Name:	Healthbeacon Limited
Location of facility:	Unit 18, Naas Road Business Park, Muirfield Drive, Naas Road, Dublin 12, Dublin, Dublin, D12 PF63
Licence Application Date:	17 November 2020
Date of EIA Screening Determination:	11/02/2021

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EIA, as respects the matters that come within the functions of the Agency, is not required for the activity to which the above licence application relates due to the following reasons:

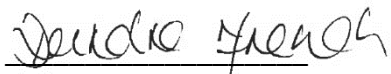
The activity is below the specified threshold of project type 11(b) in Part 2 of Schedule 5 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 as amended: *Installations for the disposal of waste with an annual intake greater than 25,000 tonnes not included in Part 1 of this Schedule.*

Having considered the information provided by the applicant, which satisfies the requirements of Annex II A of the EIA Directive, it has been determined that the activity is not likely to give rise to significant effects on the environment by virtue of its nature, size or location. This determination has been made having regard to the following:

- The limited nature and scale of the activity. It is proposed to accept 20 tonnes/year of sharps waste (18 01 03*). This is significantly below the 25,000 tonnes/year threshold set out in Part 2 of Schedule 5 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 as amended.
- The facility is located in an industrial park. All waste handling and storage activities will be undertaken indoors. The sharps will be received onsite in 2.3 litre containers. The sharps will be temporarily stored onsite before being sent to a third party waste treatment facility.

- The empty containers will be washed and sterilised indoors. Washwater will be collected in double skinned intermediate bulk containers (IBCs) and sent offsite for treatment to an appropriate waste treatment facility.
- The activity will not generate significant dust, noise or odour emissions.
- There will be no main emissions to air from the facility.
- The stormwater runoff from the facility drains to the industrial park drainage system to the Camac River.
- There are no environmentally sensitive areas in the vicinity that are likely to be significantly affected.
- There will be limited use of natural resources. The facility will use electricity (<5kWh/annum) and water (<10m³/annum).
- The cumulative effect with other existing and/or approved projects will not be significant.

Submissions on a licence application can be made before the Proposed Decision is issued. Information on the public participation process is available on the Agency's website at www.epa.ie.



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