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Mr. Martin O'Looney
Mr. Tim Cullinane
On behalf of Woodville Pig Farms Limited

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Further Notice under the EPA (Industrial Emissions) (Licensing) Regulations 2013, in respect of a licence review from Woodville Pig Farms Limited for an installation located at Woodville and Ballyknockane, Ballymackey, Nenagh, County Tipperary.

Dear Mr. O'Looney,

I refer to the EPA's notice of 17^{th} June 2021 requesting information in respect of your licence review application.

You are advised that there remains outstanding information, as required under the EPA (Industrial Emissions) (Licensing) Regulations 2013, as amended. You are therefore required to submit the outstanding information detailed below:

- 1. You have not addressed points 3.c and 3.d of our previous communication with respect to the odour and ammonia modelling assessments submitted:
 - a. The numbers of each class of animal, particularly production pigs, used in the odour and ammonia models differs from that proposed in the licence application. The licence review application proposed 4,200 production pig, however the odour and ammonia emissions of only 1,700 production pigs have been modelled. The number of weaners modelled also differs from that proposed in the licence review application.
 - b. Ammonia and odour emissions from external slurry storage have not been included in the model.
 - c. Re-run the models addressing points 1.a and 1.b and resubmit a complete report, with reference to the *Air Dispersion Modelling from Industrial Installations Guidance Note (AG4)* regarding its format and content. Update the NIS or other documents as necessary.
- 2. It is noted that the proposed construction of two external slurry tanks to achieve compliance with BAT 30 for the proposed new buildings, does not currently have a grant of planning permission from the planning authority, nor is there an application

for planning permission under consideration by the planning authority or An Bord Pleanála. Under Section 87(1B) of the Environmental Protection Act 1992, the Agency cannot consider an application for IE licence where there is neither a grant of planning permission nor an application for planning permission currently under consideration comprising or for the purposes of the full activity at the site to which the application for a licence relates. The applicant must therefore consider the following options:

- a. Withdrawing the application for an IE licence until such point that a planning application is under consideration by the planning authority; or
- b. Proposing an alternative means of achieving compliance with BAT 30 for the proposed, new buildings, which does not require a grant of planning permission.
- 3. What is the quantity of animal feed to be used on site annually?
- 4. All infrastructure necessary for the operation of the licensable activity must be located within the licensed site boundary. If necessary, propose a new site boundary to accommodate the proposed external slurry stores. Update the site plan accordingly.
- 5. Please note that water abstractions exceeding 25 m³ (25,000 litres) per day are required to be registered with the Agency, in accordance with the European Union (Abstractions Registration) Regulations 2018. Details on the registering of a water abstraction can be found on the Agency website at the following link: https://www.epa.ie/our-services/licensing/freshwater--marine/water-abstraction/.

With a view to advancing this application for determination, the above-mentioned information should be submitted to the EPA within 4 weeks of the date of this notice.

It should be noted that failure to comply with this request may result in the EPA activating Regulation 19 of the EPA (Industrial Emissions)(Licensing) Regulation 2013.

Your prompt attention to this matter is requested.

Yours faithfully,

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