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Mr. Paraic Fay
On behalf of Dernaesco Poultry Limited



16 February 2022

Reg. No. P1155-01

Re: Appropriate Assessment in respect of a licence application from Dernaesco Poultry Limited in respect of the installation located at Dernaesco, Knockatallon, County Monaghan.

Dear Mr. Fay,

I refer to the application for a licence application in respect of the installation located at Dernaesco, Knockatallon, County Monaghan.

I am to advise you in accordance with Regulation 42(8)(a) of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 as amended, that the EPA has made a determination that an Appropriate Assessment is required as the project, individually or in combination with other plans or projects, is likely to have a significant effect on European sites. Notification of this determination is attached for your reference. The EPA acknowledges receipt of a Natura Impact Statement, submitted on 30 April 2021.

In carrying out an Appropriate Assessment the EPA shall take into account each of the matters specified in Regulation 42(12) of the European Communities (Birds and Habitats) Regulations 2011 as amended, where applicable.

The EPA shall publish a Notice for Public Consultation on Appropriate Assessment under Regulation 42 of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 as amended.

Submissions or observations on a licence application can be made to the Agency in relation to Appropriate Assessment as set out in the notice for public consultation.

The application and all associated correspondence including the notice for public consultation are available to view on the EPA website at www.epa.ie. You are advised to refer to the website for information on the progress of the application.

If you have any further queries, please contact licensing@epa.ie.

Yours faithfully,

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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 activity, 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.	P1155-01
Applicant Name:	Dernaresco Poultry Limited
Type of Consent Sought:	IEL
Location of installation:	Dernaresco, Knockatallon, County Monaghan.
Licence Application Date:	30 April 2021
European Sites assessed:	Slieve Beagh SPA (Site Code: 004167)
	Slieve Beagh-Mullaghfad-Lisnaskea SPA (Site Code: UK9020302)
	Slieve Beagh SAC (Site Code: UK0016622)
	Magheraveely Marl Loughs SAC (Site Code: UK0016621)
	Kilroosky Lough Cluster SAC (Site Code: 001786)
	Upper Lough Erne SPA (Site Code: UK9020071)
	Upper Lough Erne SAC (Site Code: UK0016614)
Date of AA Screening Determination:	16 February 2022

AA Screening Determination:

That the activity is not directly connected with or necessary to the management of any European site and that it cannot be excluded, on the basis of objective information, that the activity, 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 activity is required, and for this reason determined to require the applicant to submit a Natura Impact Statement.

- Air emissions from the installation have the potential for adverse impact on sensitive receptors due to elevated ammonia levels and / or nitrogen deposition at European sites.
- Air emissions have been modelled by the Agency using a screen model (SCAIL Agriculture).

The model results indicated that the potential for adverse impact of emissions to air and their consequential potential impact on sensitive receptors cannot be ruled out due to elevated ammonia levels and / or nitrogen deposition at European Sites.

- There are potential surface water pathways connecting the installation to European sites, therefore, there is potential for adverse impact of emissions to water and their consequential potential impact on sensitive receptors cannot be ruled out at European sites.

A Natura Impact Statement was received by the Agency on 30 April 2021 as part of the application.

Máire Buckley

Date: 16 February 2022

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