

Mr. Colin Ryder,
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Galway County Council,
Áras an Chontae,
Prospect Hill,
Galway.

25th February 2022

Reg. No. H0175-01

Re: Shore Road Landfill – Application for Certificate of Authorisation

Dear Mr. Ryder,

I refer to your correspondence of 14th January 2022, confirming that the Shore Road Landfill did not operate beyond 1976 and therefore, was operational outside the period of time that is relevant for the definition of a closed landfill in accordance with the Waste Management (Certification of Historic Unlicensed Waste Disposal and Recovery Activity) Regulations, i.e.:

“closed landfill” means a landfill site operated by a local authority for the recovery or disposal of waste without a waste licence on any date between 15 July 1977 and 27 March 1997 (i.e. prior to the entry into force of the Waste Management (Licensing) Regulations, 1997 (S.I. No. 133 of 1997))

This being the case, it has been determined that the Shore Road Landfill is not defined as a Closed Landfill in accordance with the Regulations and consequently, is not required to have a Certificate of Authorisation.

Accordingly, you are advised to withdraw the application Reg. No. H0175-01 by submitting a request to the Agency. Please also note you can request a refund of the fee paid in respect of the application and that any such request will be considered after the withdrawal of the application has been completed.

A prompt response to this correspondence will be appreciated. Please note that during COVID-19 there are new arrangements in place for the receipt of all correspondence in relation to applications for Certificates of Authorisation. Accordingly, any correspondence in respect of the above referenced application should be sent to the Agency via file transfer by emailing historiclandfillapplications@epa.ie, quoting the Register Number H0175-01 (each electronic file should be in a searchable .pdf format and not exceed 10MB).

Yours sincerely,



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