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Mr. Paraic Fay On behalf of Longfield Poultry Unlimited Company



14 March 2022

Reg. No. P1150-01

<u>Re: Appropriate Assessment in respect of a licence application from Longfield Poultry</u> <u>Unlimited Company in respect of the installation located at Lislea, Virginia, County Cavan.</u>

Dear Mr. Fay,

I refer to your application for a licence application in respect of the installation located at Lislea, Virginia, County Cavan.

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 a European site(s). Notification of this determination is attached for your reference. Please note the EPA shall request a Natura Impact Statement in due course.

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 <u>www.epa.ie</u>. You are advised to refer to the website for information on the progress of the application. If you have any further queries, please contact <u>licensing@epa.ie</u>.

Yours faithfully,

<u>Linda Cahill</u> Environmental Licensing Programme Office of Environmental Sustainability Tel: 053 – 9160600

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.

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Applicant Name:	Longfield Poultry Unlimited Company
Type of Consent Sought:	IEL
Location of installation:	Lislea, Virginia, County Cavan.
Licence Application Date:	24 March 2021
European Sites assessed:	River Boyne and River Blackwater SAC (Site Code: 002299)
	River Boyne and River Blackwater SPA (Site Code: 004232)
	Killyconny Bog (Cloghbally) SAC (Site Code: 000006)
	Lough Sheelin SPA (Site Code: 004065)
	Lough Bane And Lough Glass SAC (Site Code:
	002120)
	Girley (Drewstown) Bog SAC (Site Code: 002203)
	White Lough, Ben Loughs and Lough Doo SAC (Site
	Code: 001810)
	Moneybeg And Clareisland Bogs SAC (Site Code:
	2340)
Date of AA Screening Determination:	14 March 2022

Consent Details:

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 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 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 discharges to water and their consequential potential impact on sensitive receptors cannot be ruled out at European sites

<u>Linda Cahill</u> Office of Environmental Sustainability

Date: 14 March 2022