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Good afternoon,

Further to the recent communication from the EPA in relation to EPA initiated reviews, please see attached responses in relation to the following agglomerations

Avoca and Mitchelstown

Kind Regards

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Thank you for your attention.

Tá an fhaisnéis á seachadadh dírithe ar an duine nó ar an eintiteas chuig a bhfuil sí seolta amháin agus féadfar ábhar faoi rún, faoi phribhléid nó ábhar atá íogair ó thaobh tráchtála de a bheith mar chuid de. Tá aon athsheachadadh nó scaipeadh den fhaisnéis, aon athbhreithniú ar nó aon úsáid eile a bhaint as, nó aon ghníomh a dhéantar ag brath ar an bhfaisnéis seo ag daoine nó ag eintitis nach dóibh siúd an fhaisnéis seo, toirimiscithe agus féadfar é a bheith neamhdhleathach. Níl Uisce Éireann faoi dhliteanas maidir le seachadadh iomlán agus ceart na faisnéise sa chumarsáid seo nó maidir le haon mhoill a bhaineann léi. Ní ghlacann Uisce Éireann le haon dliteanas faoi ghnímh nó faoi iarmhairtí bunaithe ar úsáid thoirmiscithe na faisnéise seo. Níl Uisce Éireann faoi dhliteanas maidir le seachadadh ceart agus iomlán na faisnéise sa chumarsáid seo nó maidir le haon mhoill a bhaineann léi. Má fuair tú an teachtaireacht seo in earráid, más é do thoil é, déan teagmháil leis an seoltóir agus scríos an t-ábhar ó gach aon ríomhaire. Féadfar ríomhphost a bheith soghabhálach i leith truaillithe, idircheaptha agus i leith leasaithe neamhúdairithe. Ní ghlacann Uisce Éireann le haon fhreagracht as athruithe nó as idircheapadh a rinneadh ar an ríomhphost seo i ndiaidh é a sheoladh nó as aon dochar do chórais na bhfaighteoirí déanta ag an teachtaireacht seo

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IW-LT0585

Dear Inspector,

**Re: Mitchelstown Waste Water Discharge Authorisation Application  
D0202**

Further to Regulation 14(5) notice dated 10 November 2021, and 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2022 requesting IW to submit a licence review application by 10/05/2022.

A licence review application for Mitchelstown will involve a proposal to deliver an upgrade to ensure compliance with emission limit values detailed in Schedule A of the Current Licence.

The proposed upgrade/development is not currently funded in RC3, nor has planning permission being applied for such works.

The proposed works to relocate the primary discharge and to upgrade the plant will be considered in the 2025-2029 investment period.

Regulation 16(3A) of the European Union (Waste Water Discharge) Regulations 2007 to 2020 (the “WWDA Regulations”) requires that, where a licence application involves development or proposed development, the applicant must provide confirmation from the planning authority that, inter alia, it is processing the planning application or has granted the planning permission. If the applicant does not comply with Regulation 16(3A) then, in accordance with Regulation 18(3A), the Agency shall refuse to consider the application.

“Application” is defined as an application by or on behalf of a water services authority for a licence or a review of a licence. Therefore, our understanding is that, for a licence review application to be considered by the Agency, Irish Water must ensure that relevant planning permission for the proposed development has been submitted to the relevant planning authority.

Irish Water proposes to submit a licence review application and supporting technical documentation following submission of planning permission.

This will also facilitate the mandatory consultation requirements between the planning authority and the EPA under the WWDA Regulations.

Yours faithfully,

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