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Mr. Paraic Fay On behalf of Mr Vincent Quinn



16 August 2022

Reg. No. P0871-03

<u>Re: Appropriate Assessment in respect of a licence review from Mr Vincent Quinn in</u> <u>respect of the installation located at Cornanagh, Ballybay, Co. Monaghan.</u>

Dear Sir or Madam,

I refer to your application for a licence review in respect of the installation located at Cornanagh, Ballybay, Co. 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 not required as the project, individually or in combination with other plans or projects, is not likely to have a significant effect on European sites. Notification of this determination is attached for your reference.

The application and all associated correspondence 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,

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.

Consent Details.	
Reg. No.	P0871-03
Applicant Name:	Mr Vincent Quinn
Type of Consent Sought:	Industrial Emissions Licence
Location of installation:	Cornanagh, Ballybay, Monaghan
Licence Review Application Date:	18 February 2022
European Site(s) assessed:	Magheraveely Marl Loughs SAC (N.I.) (Site Code UK0016621)
	Slieve Beagh SPA (Site Code: 004167)
	Kilroosky Lough Cluster SAC (Site Code: 001786)
Date of AA Screening Determination:	16 August 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 can 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 was not required.

This determination has been made in light of the following reasons:

- The closest European sites are approximately 20 km away from the installation boundary and are considered to be outside of the zone of influence of air and noise emissions arising at the installation.
- Ammonia emissions from intensive agriculture activities can impact on European Sites. The output of the online screening tool SCAIL Agriculture predict that ammonia emissions and nitrogen deposition as a result of the activity will not have a significant effect on sensitive receptors within the European sites listed above.
- It is proposed that storm water run-off from clean yard and roof areas will be directed into local watercourses. There will be no other direct discharge to surface waters or groundwater within the installation boundary.
- It is proposed that wash water will be applied to farmlands in accordance with the Nitrates

Regulations. It is proposed that poultry litter will be transported by a contractor to composting facilities or may be used as an organic fertiliser on farmland in accordance with the Nitrates Regulations. The licence, if granted, relates to the site of the activity for which the licence application is made, i.e. the rearing of poultry within the installation boundary, and does not extend to the lands on which wash water may be spread or organic fertiliser may be used.

• Given the distance from the installation to European sites and the nature and scale of emissions, it is considered that the activity in combination with other plans or projects will not have a significant effect on European Sites.

Information in relation to European Sites is available on <u>www.npws.ie</u>

Documents relating to the licence application are available on the Agency's website at www.epa.ie

Rachel Neson

Date: 16 August 2022

Rachel Neeson Office of Environmental Sustainability