PROJECT THRESHOLD - PLANNING

Part 1 and Part 2 of Schedule 5 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) sets out the forms of development that require an Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR).

Paragraph 11 of Part 2 of Schedule 5 states that the following form of development is to be subject to Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and requires submission of an EIAR with any application for planning permission:

(b) Installations for the disposal of waste with an annual intake greater than 25,000 tonnes not included in Part 1 of this Schedule.

The maximum annual intake at the proposed waste management facility at Ballinclare Quarry will be 800,000 tonnes per annum. This exceeds the threshold limit for EIA (25,000 tonnes/annum) and, as such, there is a requirement for an EIA under Part 2 of Schedule 5.