

# **EPA Application Form**

## 7.5 - Noise Emissions - Attachment

Organisation Name: *	Miltown Composting Systems Ltd.		
Application I.D.: *	LA10323		



### **Amendments to this Application Form Attachment**

Version No.	Date	Amendment since previous version	Reason
V.1.0	July 2017	N/A	Online application form attachment
As above	Mar 2018	Identification of required fields	Assist correct completion of attachment



### Noise Emissions (see Note i at the end of this attachment)

Note: An assessment of the impacts of noise, where applicable, should be uploaded in Tab 7 – 'Emissions Overview' of the application form.

Provide detail of measures to reduce noise emissions (list techniques)

(See Note ii at the end of this attachment)

- Any new fans and motors for air input or extraction to be situated away from side of the building that could impact noise sensitive receptors.
- Any fans related to new maturation sheds would be situated within the fabric of the building to mitigate potential noise from the fan/motor operations. Metal cladded walls in both sheds has the capacity to reduce noise migration from the fans located within the building by up to 24dB.
- All machinery at the Miltown facility will have frequent maintenance carried out to ensure that the machinery is operating optimally and not emitting at a high noise output.
- During operational activities occurring at the facility, all doors will be closed to ensure that no unnecessary noise emissions occur
- Miltown will ensure that there are no deliveries or transfer of material off site occurring outside of the operational hours of the facility
- It will be advised by Miltown that the trucks arriving and leaving the facility avoid using air brakes to reduce the potential noise emitted from their movements

Following the *Guidance Note for Noise: Licence Applications, Surveys and Assessments in Relation to Scheduled Activities (NG4)* (2012 as amended) complete the table below, inputting summary details of noise monitoring points (see Note iii at the end of this attachment) and proposed noise limit criteria.



				Proposed Noise Limit Criteria				
Monitoring point code <sup>1</sup>	Easting <sup>2</sup>	Northing 3	Monitoring point type <sup>4</sup>	Max. noise level daytime dB Lar,T (30 mins)	Max. noise level evening dB L <sub>Ar,T</sub> (30 mins)	Max. noise level night dB L <sub>eq,T</sub> (15-30 mins)	How was the noise limit derived? 5	Proposed monitoring frequency
NSL 1	215350	133985	Noise Sensitive Location	55 dB LAeq	50 dB LAeq	45 dB LAeq	Licence Monitoring	Annual

<sup>1</sup> The following convention should be observed when labelling noise monitoring points: N1, N2,.....The monitoring locations should be identified on an accompanying site plan drawing(s) uploaded in Tab 3 – 'Site' of the application form.

<sup>2</sup> Six Digit GPS Irish National Grid Reference of Monitoring Point

<sup>3</sup> Six Digit GPS Irish National Grid Reference of Monitoring Point

<sup>4</sup> Monitoring point type options: 'Boundary', 'Noise Sensitive Location' or 'Permanent Noise Monitoring'

<sup>5</sup> Derived noise limit options: 'BAT', 'EQS', or 'Derogation'

<sup>\*</sup> indicates required field



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Note: Map(s)/drawing(s) uploaded under 'Site Plans' in Tab 3 of the application form should identify the emission and monitoring points.



Was an assessment for tonal and impulsive noise carried out? <sup>6</sup> (Yes/No)	
If 'Yes' was tonal or impulsive noise identified to be present? (Yes/No)	

For emissions outside the EPA Noise Guidance Note limit, see the Agency's *Guidance Note for Noise: Licence Applications, Surveys and Assessments in Relation to Scheduled Activities (NG4)* (2012) (available on <a href="https://www.epa.ie">www.epa.ie</a>), a full evaluation of the existing abatement/treatment system must be provided. A planned programme of improvement towards meeting upgraded standards is required to be uploaded with this document. This programme should highlight specific goals and a time scale, together with options for modification, upgrading or replacement, as required, to bring the emissions within the limits as set out in the Guidance Note.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Refer to section 5 of the Agency's *Guidance Note for Noise: Licence Applications, Surveys and Assessments in Relation to Scheduled Activities (NG4)* (2012 as amended).

<sup>\*</sup> indicates required field



Note i This part of the application form collects data on noise emissions namely measures used to reduce noise and noise levels at a reference distance under normal operation. As noise emissions can arise from different sources on a site, the EPA usually considers the total emission from the site. Please note that emission limit values and monitoring requirements in any proposed licence shall be based on the information supplied hereunder.

Note ii Measures are usually required to reduce, minimise or prevent emissions from occurring. They may involve the application of a single technique or a combination of techniques including housing, insulation and appropriate location of equipment. List all techniques proposed/employed. Technique(s) employed must comply with BAT. Highlight additional measures required for the purposes of protecting the environment. The measures or techniques to be taken must be capable of complying with the proposed/known emission level(s).

The measures required shall be informed by the following:

- 1. BAT techniques
- 2. Stricter measures/techniques than BAT
- 3. BAT determined by competent authority in consultation with the applicant
- 4. Other measures

Noise emissions differ from other emissions in that they are generally limited at a reference (12 digit, 6E, 6N) must be given for each monitoring point. Noise emissions differ from other emissions in that they are generally limited at a reference distance from the source(s). This reference distance should be, where possible, the boundary of the installation but in certain circumstances it is a noise sensitive location outside the boundary of the installation. Noise levels along a boundary will vary due to the location and positioning of noise sources and the 'worst case' should always be selected. Sufficient points should be identified to fully describe the noise levels from the installation. For waste activities, traffic noise emissions should be taken into account especially if it. The Agency's Guidance Note for Noise: Licence Applications, Surveys and Assessments in Relation to Scheduled Activities (NG4) (2012) and Guidance Note on Noise assessment of Wind Turbine Operations at EPA licensed Sites (NG3)(as appropriate) should be consulted when setting proposed sound limits.