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Mr. Paraic Fay
On behalf of Mullan Poultry Products Ltd.



06 October 2023 Reg. No. P1157-01

Re: Appropriate Assessment in respect of a licence application from Mullan Poultry Products Ltd. in respect of the installation located at Drumturk, Emyvale, County Monaghan.

Dear Mr. Fay,

I refer to your application for a licence application in respect of the installation located at Drumturk, Emyvale, County 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 required as the project, individually or in combination with other plans or projects, is likely to have a significant effect on European sites. Notification of this determination is attached for your reference.

This determination is subsequent to the Appropriate Assessment Screening determination of 17 February 2022, which stated, in error, that a full Appropriate Assessment was not required to be carried out. 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 www.epa.ie. 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,

Linda Cahill

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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.	P1157-01
Applicant Name:	Mullan Poultry Products Ltd.
Type of Consent Sought:	IEL
Location of installation:	Drumturk, Emyvale, County Monaghan.
Licence Application Date:	20 July 2021
European Sites assessed:	Slieve Beagh SPA (Site Code: 004167)
	Slieve Beagh – Mullaghfad – Lisnakea SPA
	(Site Code: UK9020302)
	Slieve Beagh SAC (Site Code: UK0016622)
	Magheraveeley Marl Loughs SAC (Site Code:
	UK0016621)
Date of AA Screening Determination:	06 October 2023

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.

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

• Air emissions from the installation have the potential for adverse impact on sensitive receptors due to elevated ammonia levels and nitrogen deposition at European sites.

<u>Linda Cahill</u> Date: <u>06 October 2023</u>

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