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13th October 2023

Re: Mr. Killian Smith P1176-01

Dear Sir/Madam,

I refer to previous Agency correspondence of 14<sup>th</sup> August last. Please find detailed below the response to the issues raised.

- 1. With regards to planning permission 21/146:
  - a. Confirm the current status of the development works:

**Development Works have not yet commenced.** 

- b. Where the development works have been completed, confirm whether the associated infrastructure is operational and if operational the associated poultry numbers; and
  - Development Works have not yet commenced.
- c. Where the development works have not yet been completed, provide a proposed development schedule for construction works on site.

It is hoped to commence the development in Spring 2024, upon receipt of the E.P.A. licence and securing the necessary funding.

## 2. With respect to wash water:

a. If the storage capacity is to be supplemented by off-site storage, identify the type, capacity, and location of the off-site storage.

No off site storage capacity required.

b. Confirm that there is sufficient excess storage capacity such that the required 26-weeks storage capacity can be achieved year-round.

Soiled water production to be reduced to c. 135-140 m3 per annum. Proposed storage capacity c. 106m3, well in excess of the storage capacity required.

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## 3. Site plan:

a. The site plan provided with the application appears to show the installation boundary encompassing part of a public road. Provide clarification on the reason for this (and update site plan if relevant).

The site plan has been updated to exclude same.

- 4. With regards to the two storm water discharges from the site:
  - a. Confirm what mitigation measures are proposed for each stormwater discharge point, e.g. clarify if each will have a separate silt trap.
  - Yard water is to discharge to ground. No Silt trap required.
  - Roof water to discharge to the local watercourse and a silt trap can be installed if required.
- 5. The NIS should be prepared in accordance with the EPA guidance <u>Assessment-of-Impact-of-Ammonia-and-Nitrogen-on-Natura-sites-from-Intensive-Agriculture-Installations-2023.pdf (epa.ie)</u> document. You are required to submit a revised NIS which has been updated in accordance with this guidance.

Please refer to revised NIS enclosed.

6. With regards to water usage onsite:

Confirm proposed water usage. The figure provided in the application (5,000m<sup>3</sup>) is less than the estimated EIAR figure (6,000 - 6,500m<sup>3</sup>).

The E.I.A.R was completed for the full 130,000 birds, however the licence application was limited to 100,000 birds, and as part of this correspondence is to be reduced to 89,142 birds. Please refer to revised Non Technical Summary enclosed. Annual water consumption will be reduced to c. 4500m3.

7. There is conflicting information in the application in relation to organic fertiliser (poultry litter). The figure provided in the application Landspreading Controls 700-800 tonnes is less than the Waste Generated and Animal By-Products figure 1000 tonnes.

Confirm the estimated quantity to be produced per annum by the proposed activity ensuring the correct unit of measurement is quoted (i.e. tonnes).



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In addition to the above, please also provide an updated non-technical summary (Application Form, and EIS where applicable) to reflect the information provided in your reply, insofar as that information impinges on the non-technical summary.

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Yours Sincerely,
If you require any additional information please contact this office
NO revisions required.