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Mr. Jason McGrath
On behalf of Ashleigh Farms (Waterford) Limited

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Reg. No.: P0447-02

Further Notice under the EPA (Industrial Emissions)(Licensing) Regulations 2013, in respect of a licence review from Ashleigh Farms (Waterford) Limited for an installation located at Ashleigh House, Ballynameelagh, Cappagh, County Waterford, X35 T181.

Dear Mr. McGrath,

I refer to the EPA's notice of 01 November 2023 requesting information in respect of your licence review application.

You are advised that there remains outstanding information, as required under the EPA (Industrial Emissions) (Licensing) Regulations 2013, as amended. You are therefore required to submit the outstanding information detailed below:

1. Your existing licence, ref. no. P0447-01, was assessed in accordance with the *BATNEEC Guidance Note For The Pig Production Sector*, published in February 1998. This document defines a finishing unit as one "in which pigs are reared from c. 32 kg to c. 95 kg liveweight". The category of finishers as used in licence ref. no. P0447-01, therefore refers to pigs of this weight range, which largely aligns with the definition of a production pig used currently in IE licensing. The Agency therefore does not accept that the existing licence permits the classification of production pigs (i.e. finishers) as weaners. If it is intended to increase the number of production pigs, as proposed in recent correspondence, the following is required:
 - a. Confirmation, from the Planning Authority, that the installation has planning permission to operate at the proposed capacity.
 - b. An updated odour assessment/modelling report to account for the increase in numbers.
 - c. An updated ammonia assessment, to account for the increase in numbers, support by modelling if required.

With a view to advancing this application for determination, the above mentioned information should be submitted to the EPA with **8 weeks** of the date of this notice.

As set out in Regulation 10(2)(b)(ii) of the licensing regulations, where an applicant fails to comply with the requirements of this notice, the Agency may, as it considers appropriate having regard to the extent of the failure, inform the applicant, by notice in writing, of such failure and that the application cannot be considered by the Agency. You are therefore informed that the Agency may not consider your application further, even if a response is made and/or is documentation furnished, where the response and/or documentation fails to comply as to such extent that the Agency considers that it cannot consider the application further. You should therefore treat this notice as one of primary importance and possibly the last opportunity for you to comply with your statutory obligations. It should be clearly understood that the onus for compliance with these statutory obligations, rests with the applicant.

Your prompt attention to this matter is requested.

Yours faithfully,

Philip Stack

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