

APPLICATION TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY FOR A LICENCE

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the E.P.A. Act 1992 as amended, that Sancom Ltd. of Graney West, Castledermot, Co Kildare, intends to apply to the Environmental Protection Agency (E.P.A.) for a waste licence for the installation at Graney West, Castledermot, Co Kildare, National Grid Reference E77006, N344738.

The proposed materials recovery facility and waste licence application provides for the recovery of 1.8 million tonnes of inert soil and stones to facilitate the restoration of a sand and gravel pit resulting from quarry activities at the facility. Restoration shall be achieved by the importation and recovery of inert soils and stone to backfill the quarry void to the original landform which existed prior to quarrying. It is proposed that a total of circa 1.8 million tonnes of inert materials (soil and stone) will be accepted to site, with a maximum of 99,500 tonnes of materials accepted per annum. Topsoil and subsoil shall be stockpiled pending re-use as capping material for final restoration of the site. Site infrastructure shall be constructed/installed including a weighbridge, wheel wash and quarantine storage area.

The applicant is seeking a licence under the Fourth Schedule of the Waste Management Act of 1996, as amended R5 Recycling/reclamation of other inorganic materials, which includes soil cleaning resulting in recovery of the soil and recycling of inorganic construction materials. R10 Land treatment resulting in benefit to agricultural or ecological improvement; R3 Organic substance recycling and reclamation; and R13 Storage of waste pending any of the operations numbered R1 to R12 excluding temporary storage (being preliminary storage according to the definition of 'collection' in section 5(1)), pending collection on the site where the waste is produced;

An Environmental Impact Assessment Report relating to this activity, which has been submitted to Kildare County Council will be submitted to the Agency as part of this application.

The environmental impact assessment report submitted to the Agency in accordance with section 83(2A)(d) of the Act of 1992, any information provided to the Agency under paragraph (e) or (f)(ii)(II) of section 83(2A) of the Act of 1992, any opinion issued by the Agency under section 83(2A)(de) of the Act of 1992 on the scope of the environmental impact assessment report, and any further information, including reports and advice, relating to the environmental impact assessment as may be furnished to the Agency in the course of the Agency's consideration of the application, shall each be made available on the Agency's website and at the headquarters of the Agency.

Submissions may be made in writing to the Agency in relation to the likely effects on the environment of the proposed activity within the period specified by the Agency on its website under Regulation 4(2)(c). In accordance with section 87(2) of the Act of 1992, a proposed determination shall be published by the Agency on its website.

A copy of the application for the licence may be inspected on the Agency's website or inspected at or obtained from the headquarters of the Agency as soon as is practicable after the receipt by the Agency of the application for the licence.