

Board Direction BD-011165-22 ABP-311991-21

At a meeting held on 25/08/2022, the Board considered the report of the Inspector, and the documents and submissions on file generally, in relation to the proposed development, consisting of the replacement of existing biomass-fired boilers, biomass-fired thermal fluid heater and gas fired thermal fluid heater with new biomass energy infrastructure at the Medite facility in Clonmel, County Tipperary.

The Board decided that the proposed development, as set out in the plans and particulars submitted to An Bord Pleanála, comprises a Seventh Schedule development as the replacement development would exceed the threshold of 100,000 tonnes in Class 3 of the Seventh Schedule. It is also considered that the proposed development falls within the scope of Section 37A(2)(a) and (b) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended. Accordingly, the proposed development would be strategic infrastructure within the meaning of the Act and any application for approval must therefore be made directly to the Board under Section 37E and should be accompanied by an Environmental Impact Assessment Report and a Natura Impact Statement.

Board Member: Date: 25/08/2022

Dave Walsh