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Attn: Eimear Reilly
Executive Officer
An Bord Pleanála
64 Marlborough Street
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D01 V902

Re: Greater Dublin Drainage Project consisting of a new wastewater treatment plant, sludge hub centre, orbital sewer, outfall pipeline and regional biosolids storage facility Townlands of Clonshagh, Dubber and Newtown, County Fingal and Dublin City

Dear Ms Reilly,

We refer to your letter dated 26 August 2022 and confirm that Irish Water will avail of the opportunity provided by the Board pursuant to section 37(F)(1)(a) of the 2000 Act to update the application including the EIAR and NIS. Irish Water will also address your query concerning the Waste Water Discharge (Authorisation) Regulations 2007 as amended.

We note that the information is to be provided to the Board within 6 months i.e. by 27 February 2023.

We further note that on 26 August 2022, the Board also wrote to other parties. We assume the Board sent this to all those that made submissions previously on this application, and possibly other parties that the Board considered had relevant information. That letter noted that the original permission had been set aside and remitted to the Board and, pursuant to section 37(F)(1)(c), requested that any further general submissions or observations on the above project be made by 30 September 2022. Presumably the Board has now had an opportunity to consider whatever submissions and/or observations have now been received.

In order to ensure that public participation is fully facilitated and in the interest of procedural fairness, please confirm when those submissions will be furnished to us in order that they may be considered as part of the further information to be provided by Irish Water pursuant to Section 37F (1)(a). The volume of documentation and the date by which it is received may impact on Irish Waters ability to meet the 6 month time frame prescribed. We would therefore be obliged to hear from you as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,

Jillian Bolton
Project Manager