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Our Ref: PAR1823

26 February 2016

Re: Planning Application [ref.04.PA0045] for development of waste to Energy Facility at Ringaskiddy, Co. Cork, & your letter of 1st February 2016

Dear Kieran,

The approach of the Authority to land-use planning in the context of the COMAH Regulations 2015 (S.I. 209 of 2016) is set out in the document 'Policy & Approach of the Health and Safety Authority to COMAH Risk-based Land-use Planning'. It is available from our website at http://www.hsa.ie/eng/Your_Industry/Chemicals/COMAH/Approach_to_LUP_under_Comah_Regs.pdf
The document should be consulted by you to fully understand the advice given in this letter.

In that context, and the Health and Safety Authority remit, in respect of this specific application the following points are relevant:

1. The application is covered by Regulation 24(2) (c) of S.I. 209 of 2015.
2. The development has been determined to be located inside the notified consultation zone of the Hovione Limited establishment.
3. The category level of this development is determined to be industrial in nature, corresponding to level 1.
4. As, on the basis of the information available, there would be no significant consequences from the Hovione Limited establishment at the proposed location and there would be no activities at the proposed location that would increase the risk or consequences of a major accident at Hovione Limited, the Authority **DOES NOT ADVISE AGAINST** the granting of planning permission, in the context of Major Accident Hazards.
5. The advice is only applicable to the specific circumstances of this proposal at this period of time.

If you have any queries please contact the undersigned.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Pat Conneely', is written over a horizontal line.

Pat Conneely
Senior Inspector,
COMAH, Chemical Production & Storage (CCPS) Unit

Encl: Note on the Approach of the HSA to the Provision of Land-use Planning Advice

Note on the Approach of the HSA to the Provision of Land-use Planning advice.

The Authority, acting as the Central Competent Authority under the Chemicals Act (Control of Major Accident Hazards Involving Dangerous Substances) Regulations 2015 (S.I. 209 of 2015), gives technical advice in response to a notice sent by a planning authority under Part 11 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001-2015. Under Regulation 24(2) of S.I. 209 of 2015, the technical advice on the effects of a proposed development on the risk or consequences of a major accident relates to the following types of developments within the consultation distance for an establishment:

- (a) the siting and development of new establishments;
- (b) modifications to establishments of the type described in Regulation 12(1);
- (c) new developments including transport routes, locations of public use and residential areas in the vicinity of establishments, where the siting, modifications or developments may be the source of, or increase the risk or consequences of, a major accident.

The advice given is for the purposes of assessing new development only. A full explanation of the Authority's Land Use Planning advice system can be found at [http://www.hsa.ie/eng/Your Industry/Chemicals/COMAH/Land Use Planning/](http://www.hsa.ie/eng/Your_Industry/Chemicals/COMAH/Land_Use_Planning/)

Your attention is drawn to Regulation 24(3) of S.I. 209 of 2015:

(3) The technical advice provided by the Central Competent Authority to a planning authority pursuant to paragraph (2) may be generic or case specific in nature and shall be so formulated that it will assist the planning authority to take into account the need, in the long term—

- (a) to maintain appropriate safety distances between establishments covered by these Regulations and residential areas, buildings and areas of public use, recreational areas, and, as far as possible, major transport routes;*
- (b) to protect areas of particular natural sensitivity or interest in the vicinity of establishments, where appropriate through appropriate safety distances or other relevant measures; and*
- (c) for the operator to take additional technical measures, in the case of existing establishments, in accordance with Regulation 7, so as not to increase the risks to human health and the environment.*

In giving its advice the Authority does not deal with routine emissions. Such emissions will be subject to EPA or Local Authority scrutiny and control.

The operator of an establishment covered by S.I. 209 of 2015 is also required to take all necessary measures to prevent major accidents occurring and to limit the consequences of any such major accidents for human health and the environment



RFI Response - Ringaskiddy Resource Recovery Centre

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Good afternoon,

I am writing to inform you of the latest update regarding the Request for Further Information (RFI) issued by An Bord Pleanála (now An Coimisiún Pleanála (the Commission)) in respect of the Ringaskiddy Resource Recovery Centre.

In June 2024 ABP, in accordance with section 37(F)(1) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, required Indaver to “*furnish the following further information in relation to the effects on the environment of the proposed development –*

1. *Due to the passage of time since the initial submission of the application, please submit any updated or further information of relevance on the application.*
2. *An updated Environmental Impact Statement.*
3. *An updated Natura Impact Statement.”*

Indaver, supported by its consultants, has prepared a full response addressing each item raised, including updated technical assessments and supporting documentation.

The Commission considers that this additional information contains significant additional data in relation to the effects on the environment of the proposed development, and in that regard has instructed that we notify you of the furnishing to the Commission of significant additional information and a copy of the additional information.

Submission or observation in relation to the additional information may be made in writing.

We wish to ensure that your organisation has access to the complete response to the RFI. To facilitate this, we would be grateful if you could confirm your preferred method of receiving the information:

- Download directly from Indaver’s project website.
- Provision of the full documentation on a memory stick.
- Provision of the documentation in hard copy.

Upon receipt of your preference, arrangements will be made to provide the response documentation accordingly.

Should you require any further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,

[REDACTED]



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Waste To Energy Facility Development, Ringaskiddy, Co Cork (An Coimisiún Pleanála Ref No. 318802)

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to advise you as a Prescribed Body for the abovementioned project (original Planning reference number PA0045) that Indaver NV t/a Indaver Ireland has submitted significant further information to An Coimisiún Pleanála under reference number 318802.

A notice has been published in newspapers today 06th October 2025 and an excerpt from this notice is included below for your attention.

Please note that the information submitted is available electronically from the website of An Coimisiún Pleanála www.pleanala.ie and the public website for the project www.ringaskiddyrrc.ie.

As per the excerpt from the notice, the closing date for submissions to the Commission is November 17th, 2025.

If you require a memory stick with a full electronic copy of the further information, please let us know and we will send one on to you in due course.

If you require a hard copy of the documentation, this will take time to arrange, print, and send and consequently please let us know as soon as possible if you require it.

Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended

NOTICE OF SIGNIFICANT ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO AN COIMISIÚN PLEANÁLA IN RESPECT OF A STRATEGIC INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT UNDER REFERENCE NUMBER ABP-318802-24

Cork County Council

In accordance with sub-section 2(b) of 37F of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 as amended, Indaver NV t/a Indaver Ireland gives notice of its furnishing of significant additional information to An Coimisiún Pleanála in relation to the following proposed development:

A 10-year planning permission and a 30-year operational life from the completion of the construction of the proposed development, is sought for a Waste to Energy Facility (waste incinerator with energy recovery) for the treatment of non-hazardous and hazardous waste on a 13.55-hectare site, owned by Indaver Ireland Limited, at Ringaskiddy, County Cork.

The proposed development was fully described in the original public notice for the application.

An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and a Natura Impact Statement (NIS) were submitted as part of this application.

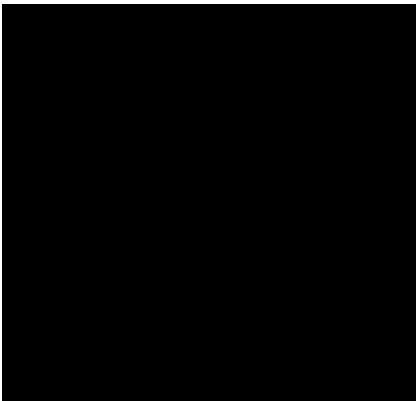
The significant additional information in relation to the effects on the environment of the proposed development was lodged with An Coimisiún Pleanála on the 29th August 2025. The significant additional information may be viewed/downloaded on the following website: www.ringaskiddyrc.ie

Submissions or observations in relation to the significant additional information may be made only to An Coimisiún Pleanála (The Commission), 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1 in writing or online at www.pleanala.ie relating to:

- (i) The implications of the proposed development for proper planning and sustainable development.
- (ii) The likely effects on the environment of the proposed development, if carried out.
- (iii) The likely significant effects of the proposed development on a European Site, if carried out.

Submissions or observations must be received by the Commission no later than 5.30 p.m. on the 17th November 2025.

Kind regards,



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