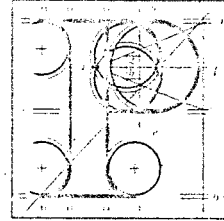


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An
Coimisiún
Pleanála

Donal O'Shea
17 Leevew Court
Cobh
Co. Cork

P24 YR86

Date: 19 November 2025

Re: Proposed development of a resource recovery centre (including waste-to-energy facility) in Ringaskiddy, County Cork.

Dear Sir / Madam,

An Coimisiún Pleanála has received your recent submission in relation to the above mentioned proposed development and will take it into consideration in its determination of the matter. Please accept this letter as a receipt for the fee of €50 that you have paid.

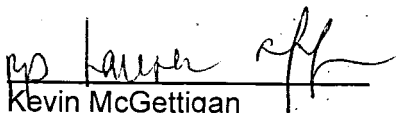
The Commission will revert to you in due course with regard to the matter.

Please be advised that copies of all submissions / observations received in relation to the application will be made available for public inspection at the offices of the local authority and at the offices of An Coimisiún Pleanála when they have been processed by the Commission.

More detailed information in relation to strategic infrastructure development can be viewed on the Commission's website: www.pleanala.ie.

If you have any queries in the meantime please contact the undersigned officer of the Commission. Please quote the above mentioned An Coimisiún Pleanála reference number in any correspondence or telephone contact with the Commission.

Yours faithfully,


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OBSERVATION ON SID APPLICATION - Case reference: PA04.318802 Ringaskiddy Co Cork Proposed development of a resource recovery centre (including waste-to-energy facility) by Indaver NV de Indaver Ireland

OBSERVER NAME: Donal O'Shea

Signed:



DATE: 11 November 2025

OBSERVER ADDRESS: 17 Leevue Court, Cobh, County Cork, P24 YR86

Note: This is further to detail that I wish to add to my observation (Reference: SID OBS 003161)

OBSERVATION DETAILS:

I wish to submit an objection to the proposed waste to energy incinerator at Ringaskiddy based on the following opinions I propose that this incinerator is not allowed to proceed and if not outright rejected then I wish to request an Oral Hearing to continue full public participation in this application. The reason for requesting an oral hearing is on the fact that as this proposal has been in the sphere of consideration for so long the basis of proposing the rejection has evolved and has become more compelling which I will outline below. My approach for proposing rejection is based on my understanding that An Coimisiún Pleanála role is to promote and safeguard Strategic Infrastructure. My reservations are based on health implications. I take my health advice from my GP who incidentally shared deep concerns regarding the health implications from this proposed incinerator.

Cobh and the surrounding area has dramatically transformed in the last thirty years or so from a base for heavy industry to one of the Countries premier tourist destinations. However, a legacy of our Industrial past has resulted in Cobh and Midleton being areas where Cancer rates are way higher than similar locations in other parts of the Country.

This was reported in the Irish Independent 19/12/2011, " The latest figures from the National Cancer Registry of Ireland (NCRI) obtained by the Irish Independent reveal that Cobh in Cork

harbour continues to have an incidence of the disease 40pc higher than the National average and 35pc higher than the rest of Cork", and again in The Sunday Independent 22/05/2016, "The study, conducted by the NCRI, found that the harbour town has the highest rates for cancers in Ireland".

I believe a base line study of cancer in the area needs to be carried out to ascertain if the elevated rates of cancer can be attributed to our industrial past, to date no such study has been undertaken.

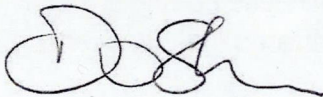
While the cancer rates associated with the Irish Independent report can and should be open to scrutiny and debate, what is beyond doubt is how cancer has affected my own family.

My sister is recovering from breast cancer, my brother in law is undergoing treatment for esophageal and liver cancer and I'm (MRN 776129) recovering from my second operation for colon cancer. We live in an estate comprising of 21 houses, two of my neighbours are currently receiving cancer treatment, one has recovered and one has died. Our houses overlook the Indaver site, the prevailing wind will bring the waste plume directly over our homes.

The primary goal of Indaver, just like all business is to generate revenue. We in Cobh have paid the price for Irish Ishpats/Irish Steel and others profits, we owe it to our children and grandchildren at this stage to object this incinerator.

If the above is not sufficient to conclude that the proposed incinerator should be rejected then I wish to request an Oral Hearing to continue full public participation in this application.

Signed:



Date:

11 November 2025

References

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