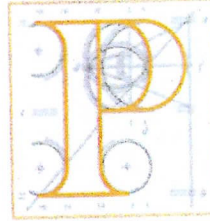


Our Case Number: ABP-318802-24



An
Coimisiún
Pleanála

Valerie McCarthy
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Date: 16 December 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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Submission objecting to the proposed incineration facility at Ringaskiddy, Co.Cork

To: An Colmislun Pleanála

Re: Proposed Incinerator by Indaver Ireland at Ringaskiddy, Co.Cork REF PA04.318802

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6th November 2025

I wish to lodge a formal objection to the proposed Indaver incineration facility at Ringaskiddy . I am strongly opposed to this development on environmental, health, safety and planning grounds.

Indaver has previously been involved in significant incidents, including serious accidents resulting in fatality. These past events raise grave concerns about the company's operational safety standards and it's ability to manage high risk facilities responsibly. Incidents happened in their Irish locations, and allowing such an operator to establish another hazardous installation in a densely populated and environmentally sensitive area is entirely inappropriate.

Ringaskiddy is already heavily industrialised hosting numerous pharmaceutical plants and other high risk facilities. The addition of an incinerator would further concentrate industrial activity in a small area compounding existing air quality and safety concerns.

The site is surrounded by a recreational park used by local families and visitors. The National Maritim College of Ireland and nearby housing. Gobby and Luc beaches would be directly under the facility and these beaches are used every day summer and winter being close to the largest town in Munster, Carrigaline. The site is subject to erosion and flooding. Placing an incinerator so close to educational, residential and leisure areas is incompatible with proper planning and sustainable development

Cobh, located directly north across the harbour, lies at a higher elevation and would be directly in the path of emissions carried by prevailing winds. This means that smoke, particulates and other pollutants released from the incinerator's stack would drift toward the town and it's residents, potentially affecting public health and air quality. The harbour area already bears a heavy environmental burden from existing industries and this proposal would further degrade the air, water, and landscape quality of the region

This proposal or versions of it, has been refused planning permission in the past. The reasons for refusals remain valid today, if anything, they have become even more relevant given growing awareness of environmental health impacts and the shift towards sustainable, circular waste management's practices. There is no justification for granting permission now when the underlying issues of site unsuitability, (site is completely inappropriate as it's subject to EROSION and flooding) environmental impact, and public opposition remain unchanged.

For the reasons outlined above, including the unsuitability of the site, risks to public health, previous safety incidents involving the applicant, and the cumulative industrial burden of the area, I strongly OBJECT to this development. I urge the planning authority to refuse permission for the proposed Indaver incinerator and to protect the health, safety and wellbeing of local communities, students, and the environment of Cork harbour

Valerie McCarthy