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An Coimisiún Pleanála
64 Marlborough Street,
Dublin 1,
V902

24 02 2026

Re; Notification of the Proposed Water Supply Project Easter and Midlands Region, under section 21, of the Water Supplies Act of 1942.

Dear Sir /madam

- I am entitled to be but have not been notified under section 21 of the Water Supplies Act of 1942.

On the 25 04 2025 I wrote to Uisce Éireann regarding; **Notification of the Proposed Water Supply Project Easter and Midlands Region, under section 21, of the Water Supplies Act of 1942.** To which I received an automatic response which categorised my request as being part of the public consultation period which began on the 7th January and ran for 8 weeks and ended on the 4th March 2025. My communication of the 25 04 2025 was made 21 days after the public consultation period had ended. (**exhibit MH 1 h** attached)

- I wrote to An Coimisiún Pleanála requesting clarification of section 111(4) of the environment, abstractions and impoundment act 2022.

“Under the access to information directives I am requesting clarification on the effects and correct procedures to be applied when Uisce Eireann make a proposal to take water from a source of water under the water supplies act of 1942, because of section 111(4) of the environment, abstractions and impoundment act 2022.”

- Your letter Reference: AIE 378 dated 11th February 2026 (attached as **exhibit MH 6**) confirms to me that there have been no changes to procedures since 2001. That An Coimisiún Pleanála has no authority to adjudicate on the Interference Notice 2026 issued under section 21 of the WSA act of 1942 which I issue today.
- Your response includes ‘There are numerous engagements from An Coimisiún Pleanála with the Environment, Abstractions and Impoundment Act 2022, which are listed within the legislation itself, which is publicly available. The legislation itself outlines our required actions which vary on a case-by-case basis, **for this reason we do not hold any internal process documents relating to it.**

- Consequently and because An Coimisiún Pleanála have no jurisdiction and or authority under section 21 of the Water supplies act of 1942.
- Before An Coimisiún Pleanála consider this proposal, you are obliged to return the application back to Uisce Éireann and have them challenge all the Interference Notice's under section 21 (8) and to regularise their abstractions before proposing to increase or extend the volume of water to be taken from the Inland Navigation System for drinking water purposes.

Exhibits and procedures.

Along with the Interference Notice 2026 I have included, the most pertinent **exhibits MH 1 H and MH 6**, which need to be rectified before a valid application can be considered. For convenience I attach **exhibit MH j** – Formal Notice to Navigation Authorities.

Link to the

As a precaution I am providing a hard copy of the Interference Notice and a complete copy of the file on a CD.

If you or Uisce Éireann or anyone else are having difficulties accessing the account or wish to access the exhibits I will do so if contacted at the above address or by email at hoeyndry@gmail.com

Regards

_____ Michael Hoey