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Our Ref: CAS-99895-T5V2

09/06/2026

**Re: Planning Application Ref ABP-320094-24 for development by
Coolpowra Flexgen Limited**

To whom it may concern,

The Health and Safety Authority (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 to the planning authority when requested, under regulation 24(2) in relation to:

- (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 Authority currently has insufficient information to provide technical advice on this application, therefore the Authority requests the Planning Authority to seek further information in accordance with regulation 24(10) from the applicant in relation to this application.

In documentation provided entitled “COMAH SUPPORT FOR PROJECT COOLPOWRA Project Coolpowra Environmental Risk Assessment”, it is stated in section 6, Preliminary risk assessment that, *“Given the early stage of this project, and the resulting lack of engineering design detail, a full quantitative risk assessment (QRA) cannot be undertaken”*.

Complete a QRA that fully addresses the risks associated this project, including all additions to the project from its original concept. QRA should include, but not be limited to, the operation of the 138 battery storage containers which constitutes the long duration energy storage (LDES) element of this project, and its impact on the proposed lower tier COMAH facility.

The Authority will be in a position to provide advice within 4 weeks of receipt of the requested information.

If you have any queries please contact the undersigned.

Yours sincerely



Geoff Hynes
Inspector,
COMAH, Chemical Production & Storage (CCPS)

From: [Geoff Hynes](#)
To: [Ellen Moss](#)
Subject: RE: Clarification on submission received on the 9th of June 2026
Date: Tuesday 1 September 2026 16:56:14

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Ellen,

The comments refer to 320095, the Reserve gas fire power generator located in Coolpowra, which we do not advice against.

Regards,

Geoff

From: Geoff Hynes
Sent: Tuesday 1 September 2026 15:51
To: 'Ellen Moss' <e.moss@pleanala.ie>
Subject: RE: Clarification on submission received on the 9th of June 2026

Ellen,

As per out telephone call earlier today, the Authority commented on ABP-320094-24 as that is the application relevant to the CCA remit.

Regards,

Geoff

From: Ellen Moss <e.moss@pleanala.ie>
Sent: Monday 31 August 2026 14:45
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Hi Geoff,

I hope you are keeping well!

It would be greatly appreciated if you could give me a call on 018737285 in relation to the attached correspondence

Many thanks,
Ellen Moss
Executive Officer

From: SIDS <sids@pleanala.ie>

Sent: Friday 28 August 2026 14:35

To: landuseplanning@hsa.ie

Subject: Clarification on submission received on the 9th of June 2026

Dear Sir/Madam,

Please see the attached correspondence for your attention.

Kind regards,
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