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### Infrastructure Section

**19<sup>th</sup> September 2008**

**Environmental Protection Agency  
PO Box 3000  
Johnstown Castle Estate  
Co Wexford**

### **Re. Application for a Waste Water Discharge Licence For Athboy Waste Water Treatment Works.**

**Dear Sirs,**

Please find enclosed all documentation pertaining to the application by Meath Co Council for a Waste Water Discharge Licence for the Waste Water Treatment Works serving the agglomeration of Athboy and Environs.

The application fee of €25,000 is included in the cheque for €150,000 (the fee for 6 applications made on 19<sup>th</sup> September 2008) submitted under separate cover of the same date.

I wish to confirm that the electronic files on the accompanying CD-ROM are a true copy of the original application form.

If you require any further information or clarification of the documentation submitted, please do not hesitate to contact us, as Meath County Council will gladly be of assistance.

Yours Sincerely

**Gerry Boyle  
Senior Engineer**

This is a draft document and is subject to revision.



# Waste Water Discharge Licence Application Form

**EPA Ref. N<sup>o</sup>:**  
(Office use only)

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### Tracking Amendments to Draft Application Form

Version No.	Date	Amendment since previous version	Reason
V. 1.	11/10/07	N/A	
V. 2.	18/10/07	Inclusion of a Note 1 superscript for Orthophosphate in Tables D.1(i)(b) & D.1(ii)(b).	To highlight the requirement for filtered samples in measurement of O-Phosphate for waste water discharges.
V.3.	13/11/07	Amend wording of Section F.2 to include 'abstraction'.	To accurately reflect the information required
		Amend wording of Checklist in Annex to reflect wording of Regulation 16(5) of S.I. No. 684 of 2007.	To accurately reflect the Regulations and to obtain the application documentation in appropriate format.
		Inclusion of unique point code for each point of discharge and storm water overflow.	To aid in cross-referencing of application documentation.
V.4	18/04/08	Inclusion of requirement to provide name of agglomeration to which the application relates.	To accurately determine the agglomeration to be licensed.
		Amend wording of Section B.7. (iii) to reflect the title of Water Services Authority.	To accurately reflect the Water Services Act, 2007.
		Addition of new Section B.9 (ii) in order to obtain information on developments yet to contribute to the waste water works.	To obtain accurate population equivalent figures for the agglomeration.
		Addition of sub-sections C.1.1 & C.1.2 in order to clarify information required for Storm water overflow and pumping stations within the works.	To obtain accurate information on design and spill frequency from these structures.
		Amend Section D.1 to include a requirement for monitoring data for influent	To acquire information on the population loading onto the plant and to provide information on performance rates within

		to waste water treatment plants, where available. Amend wording of Section E.1 to request information on composite sampling/flow monitoring provisions.	the plant. To acquire accurate information on the sampling and monitoring provisions for discharges from the works.
V.5	07/07/2008	Amend wording of B.7 (iii) to include reference to Water Services Authorities.  Amend Section G.1 to include Shellfish Waters Directive.	To accurately reflect the Water Services Act, 2007 requirements.
V.6	26/08/2008	Amendments to Section D to reflect new web based reporting.  Amended requirements for reporting on discharges under E.1 Waste Water Discharge Frequency and Quantities.  Amendment to Section F.1 to specify the type of monitoring and reporting required for the background environment.  Removal of Annexes to application form.	To clarify the reporting requirements.  To streamline reporting requirements.  To clarify the reporting requirements for ambient monitoring.  To reflect the new web based reporting requirements.

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Environmental Protection Agency  
Application for a Waste Water Discharge Licence  
Waste Water Discharge (Authorisation) Regulations 2007.

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## ABOUT THIS APPLICATION FORM

This form is for the purpose of making an application for a Waste Water Discharge Licence under the Waste Water Discharge (Authorisation) Regulations, 2007 (S.I. No. 684 of 2007) or for the review of an existing Waste Water Discharge licence.

The Application Form **must** be completed in accordance with the instructions and guidance provided in the *Waste Water Discharge Licensing Application Guidance Note*. The Guidance Note gives an overview of Waste Water Licensing, outlines the licence application process (including the number of copies required) and specifies the information to be submitted as part of the application. The Guidance Note and application form are available to download from the Licensing page of the EPA's website at [www.epa.ie](http://www.epa.ie).

A valid application for a Waste Water Discharge Licence must contain the information prescribed in the Waste Water Discharge (Authorisation) Regulations, 2007 (S.I. No. 684 of 2007). Regulation 16 of the Regulations sets out the statutory requirements for information to accompany a licence application. The application form is designed in such a way as to set out these questions in a structured manner and not necessarily in the order presented in the Regulations. In order to ensure a legally valid application in respect of Regulation 16 requirements, please complete the Regulation 16 Checklist provided in Annex 2.

This Application Form does not purport to be and should not be considered a legal interpretation of the provisions and requirements of the Waste Water Discharge (Authorisation) Regulations, 2007. While every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the material contained in the Application Form, the EPA assumes no responsibility and gives no guarantee, or warranty concerning the accuracy, completeness or up-to-date nature of the information provided herein and does not accept any liability whatsoever arising from any errors or omissions.

Should there be any contradiction between the information requirements set out in the Application Form and any clarifying explanation contained in the accompanying Guidance Note, then the requirements in this Application Form shall take precedence.

## PROCEDURES

The procedure for making and processing of applications for waste water discharge licences, and for the processing of reviews of such licences, appear in the Waste Water Discharge (Authorisation) Regulations, 2007 (S.I. No. 684 of 2007) and is summarised below. The application fees that shall accompany an application are listed in the Third Schedule to the Regulations.

Prior to submitting an application the applicant must publish (within the two weeks prior to date of application) in a newspaper circulating in the area, and erect at the point nearest to the waste water treatment plant concerned or, if no such plant exists, at a location nearest the primary discharge point, a notice of intention to apply. An applicant, not being the local authority in whose functional area the relevant waste water discharge, or discharges, to which the relevant application relates, takes place or is to take place, must also notify the relevant Local Authority, in writing, of their intention to apply.

An application for a licence must be submitted on the appropriate form (available from the Agency) with the correct fee, and should contain relevant supporting documentation as attachments. The application should be based on responses to the form and include supporting written text and the appropriate use of tables and drawings. Where point source emissions occur, a system of unique reference numbers should be used to denote each discharge point. These should be simple, logical, and traceable throughout the application.

The application form is divided into a number of sections of related information. The purpose of these divisions is to facilitate both the applicant and the Agency in the provision of the information and its assessment. **Please adhere to the format as set out in the application form and clearly number each section and associated attachment, if applicable, accordingly.** Attachments should be clearly numbered, titled and paginated and must contain the required information as set out in the application form. Additional attachments may be included to supply any further information supporting the application. Any references made should be supported by a bibliography.

**All questions should be answered. Where information is requested in the application form, which is not relevant to the particular application, the words "not applicable" should be clearly written on the form. The abbreviation "N/A" should not be used.**

Additional information may need to be submitted beyond that which is explicitly requested on this form. Any references made should be supported by a bibliography. The Agency may request further information if it considers that its provision is material to the assessment of the application. Advice should be sought from the Agency where there is doubt about the type of information required or the level of detail.

Information supplied in this application, including supporting documentation will be put on public display and be open to inspection by any person.

Applicants should be aware that a contravention of the conditions of a waste water discharge licence is an offence under the Waste Water Discharge (Authorisation) Regulations, 2007.

The provision of information in an application for a waste water discharge licence which is false or misleading is an offence under Regulation 35 of the Waste Water Discharge (Authorisation) Regulations, 2007 (S.I. No. 684 of 2007).

*Note: Drawings. The following guidelines are included to assist applicants:*

- *All drawings submitted should be titled and dated.*
- *All drawings should have a unique reference number and should be signed by a clearly identifiable person.*
- *All drawings should indicate a scale and the direction of north.*
- *All drawings should, generally, be to a scale of between 1:20 to 1:500, depending upon the degree of detail needed to be shown and the size of the facility. Drawings delineating the boundary can be to a smaller scale of between 1:1000 to 1:10560, but must clearly and accurately present the required level of detail. Drawings showing the waste water treatment plant location, if such a plant exists, can be to a scale of between 1:50 000 to 1:126 720. All drawings should, however, be A3 or less and of an appropriate scale such that they are clearly legible. Provide legends on all drawings and maps as appropriate.*
- *In exceptional circumstances, where A3 is considered inadequate, a larger size may be requested by the Agency.*

**It should be noted that it will not be possible to process or determine the application until the required documents have been provided in sufficient detail and to a satisfactory standard.**

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## SECTION A: NON-TECHNICAL SUMMARY

*Advice on completing this section is provided in the accompanying Guidance Note.*

A non-technical summary of the application is to be included here. The summary should identify all environmental impacts of significance associated with the discharge of waste water associated with the waste water works. This description should also indicate the hours during which the waste water works is supervised or manned and days per week of this supervision.

The following information must be included in the non-technical summary:

A description of:

- the waste water works and the activities carried out therein,
- the sources of emissions from the waste water works,
- the nature and quantities of foreseeable emissions from the waste water works into the receiving aqueous environment as well as identification of significant effects of the emissions on the environment,
- the proposed technology and other techniques for preventing or, where this is not possible, reducing emissions from the waste water works,
- further measures planned to comply with the general principle of the basic obligations of the operator, i.e., that no significant pollution is caused;
- measures planned to monitor emissions into the environment.

Supporting information should form **Attachment N° A.1**

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## **1.0 The waste water works and the activities carried out**

### **1.1 Introduction**

The waste water works serving the town of Athboy comprises of a network of sewers, a main pumping station and a wastewater treatment facility. The wastewater treatment facility, currently under construction, is replacing the older facility that was built during the 1970's and is now overloaded. The new wastewater treatment plant is due to be completed in December 2009.

Athboy town is located in the western part of County Meath. It is situated on the N51 between Drogheda and Mullingar and on the R154 between Trim to Oldcastle. Athboy lies 13 km from both Trim and Kells and 19 km from Navan. The Athboy River runs through the town. The River Athboy runs through the town. The present population is approximately 3,250.

There are two main pumping stations within the scheme; Athboy and Rathcairn. The new main Athboy pump station is adjacent to the site of the existing Athboy main pumping station. Once constructed, the pumping station will be capable of pumping flows up to a maximum of 162.5 l/s to the wastewater treatment plant. The Rathcairn main pumping station receives flows from three small secondary pumping stations within Rathcairn. These flows are transferred via a rising main and subsequently a gravity foul sewer to the inlet works in Athboy.

The existing wastewater treatment works was built in 1980. It is an extended aeration process with a design capacity of 2500 p.e. The existing population equivalent is estimated as 3,250. The existing wastewater treatment plant is currently overloaded.

The new wastewater treatment plant at Athboy includes storm tanks, inlet works, anaerobic, anoxic and aeration tanks, a sludge pumping station, sludge holding tank, sludge dewatering building, administration building etc. All of which are contained within a land area to the south of the town. Discharge is to the Athboy River. The plant has been sized for 5,800pe to accommodate flows from Rathcairn. Access is via an access road off the Trim road.

## 1.2 Description of Waste water treatment works

The treatment plant consists of preliminary treatment and secondary biological treatment with nutrient removal and will be designed to cater for a population equivalent of 5,800. Over all the plant will include the following;

### Sewer network

The wastewater collection and disposal system discharges by gravity to the main pumping station in the town. From here it is pumped to the wastewater treatment plant. This collection system and pumping station is being upgraded to cater for the projected population in the town.

### Pump Stations

#### Athboy Pumping Station

- 3No foul pumps - (Duty/Assist/Standby)
- Mechanical Storm screen (mesh size = 6mm)
- Pump sump over flow with Flap/Non-return valve

The wastewater is pumped from the main pump station to the treatment plant proper via 2No. 300mm diameter rising mains. In the event of pump failure, power failure or extreme storm conditions the pump sump will overflow through a 6mm mechanical mesh screen and out to the river Athboy via a 600mm diameter overflow pipe.

#### Rathcairn Pumping Station (Main) – RA2

- 3No foul pumps - (Duty/Assist/Standby)

The Rathcairn main pumping station receives gravity flows from three neighbouring secondary pumping stations. These flows are transferred via a rising main and subsequently a foul sewer to the inlet works in Athboy.

#### Rathcairn Pumping Station – RA1

- 2No foul pumps - (Duty/Standby)

Flows are transferred by means of a rising main and subsequently a foul sewer to the main pumping station RA 2.

#### Rathcairn Pumping Station – RA3

- 2No foul pumps - (Duty/Standby)

Flows are transferred by means of a rising main and subsequently a foul sewer to the main pumping station RA 2.

#### Rathcairn Pumping Station – RA4

- 2No foul pumps - (Duty/Standby)

Flows are transferred by means of a rising main and subsequently a foul sewer to the main pumping station RA 2.

### **Treatment Plant**

- 2 No. automated (6mm) Inlet Fine Screens, including screenings washing/dewatering
- 1No. Grit removal unit
- 1No grit removal classifier
- Storm tank including storm return pumps
- 3 No. Sequential Batch Reactors
- Chemical dosing for Phosphorous removal
- Sludge Picket Fence Thickener
- Acceptance Tank for imported sludge's complete with 1 No. Liquid sludge's screen
- Dewatering System - 2 No. Centrifuges
- Final Effluent flow measurement and automatic sampling
- Odour and noise controls
- Inlet Lift Pump Station
- Preliminary treatment – to include screening and grit and grease removal
- Biological treatment and phosphorus removal
- Liquid sludge storage
- Sludge dewatering and cake storage
- Storm treatment

## **2.0 The sources of emissions from the waste water works**

### **Primary Discharge – Effluent Outfall – Treatment Plant proper**

Treated effluent will be discharged from the wastewater treatment plant to the Athboy River via a single outfall. It shall be below the water level of the river at all times of the year and shall include a diffuser on the outlet.

### **Storm Water Overflows**

The primary discharge pipe is designed to incorporate the screened storm tank overflow.

### **Secondary Discharge – Effluent Outfall – Pumping Station**

Not applicable.

### **Existing Sewerage Network Overview**

The wastewater collection and disposal system discharges by gravity to the main pumping station in the town. From here it is pumped to the wastewater treatment plant. This collection system and pumping station is being upgraded to cater for the projected population in the town.

### 3.0 The nature and quantities of emissions from the waste water works (into the receiving aqueous environment as well as identification of significant effects of the emissions on the environment)

The existing plant has a design capacity of 5,800pe and a design effluent quality (to the primary discharge point) as follows;

Parameter	Concentration
BOD <sub>5</sub> (mg/L)	25
Total Suspended Solids (mg/L)	35
COD (mg/L)	125
Total Nitrogen (mgN/L)	20
Total Phosphorus (mg/L P)	1.0

As can be seen, the Athboy treatment facility complies with the requirements of the Urban Waste Water Directive, which stipulate;

- BOD  $\leq$  25mg/L
- Total suspended solids  $\leq$  35mg/L

### 4.0 Identification of significant effects of the emissions on the environment

Provision of this performance based treatment system will significantly improve the quality of the effluent to the adjacent River Athboy. The Treatment Works will be required to meet the effluent quality standards as set out in the Urban Wastewater Treatment Regulations, 2001 and in all current regulations governing discharges to freshwaters.

The waste assimilative capacity calculations, included in Attachment F1, show that the effect of the emissions is acceptable.

### 5.0 The proposed technology and other techniques for preventing or reducing emissions/pollution from the waste water works

The main treatment plant is adjacent to the site of the existing treatment plant. The existing wastewater treatment works was built in 1980. It is an extended

aeration process with a design capacity of 2500 p.e. The existing population equivalent is estimated as 2,825. The existing wastewater treatment plant is currently overloaded.

A DBO contract to construct the new Athboy main pumping station and Athboy wastewater treatment plant commenced in November 2007. The contract was awarded to EPS. EPS took over the operation of the plant in March 2008. Commissioning and operation of the new plant is due to commence in December 2009.

#### **6.0 Measures planned to monitor emissions into the environment**

As a minimum the following instrumentation is being provided in the new treatment plant;

- (i) pH measurement of influent and effluent.
- (ii) Flow measurement for influent, flow to full treatment, flow to storm tank, storm return, final effluent, return activated sludge, surplus (waste) activated sludge, supernatant return and flow to dewatering.
- (iii) Dissolved oxygen and suspended solids measurement shall be provided for each biological treatment unit.
- (iv) Ultrasonic level measurement in all pump sumps, the stormwater tank and in the sludge holding tank.

In addition, fixed refrigerated automatic flow proportional composite samplers shall be provided for the influent and effluent.

#### **7.0 Other**

The existing wastewater treatment plant has provided effective wastewater treatment for Athboy. However, due to recent developments in the town, the plant is currently overloaded. EPS Limited is operating the existing wastewater treatment plant until the new wastewater treatment plant. The new wastewater treatment plant and main pumping station will provide effective treatment of wastewater from Athboy and Rathcairn with a capacity which is anticipated to be sufficient for a 20-year horizon. The provision of increased capacity at the main pumping station in Athboy will reduce the potential for any stormwater overflows within the sewer network. The pumping stations in Rathcairn are designed to prevent overflows.

## SECTION B: GENERAL

*Advice on completing this section is provided in the accompanying Guidance Note.*

### B.1 Agglomeration Details

<b>Name of Agglomeration:</b> Athboy Waste Water Treatment Works
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#### Applicant's Details

##### Name and Address for Correspondence

Only application documentation submitted by the applicant and by the nominated person will be deemed to have come from the applicant.

Provide a drawing detailing the agglomeration to which the licence application relates. It should have the boundary of the agglomeration to which the licence application relates clearly marked in red ink.

<b>Name*:</b>	Meath County Council, Infrastructure Department
<b>Address:</b>	County Hall,
	Railway Street,
	Navan,
	Co. Meath
<b>Tel:</b>	046 9097000
<b>Fax:</b>	046 9097001
<b>e-mail:</b>	info@meathcoco.ie

\*This should be the name of the water services authority in whose ownership or control the waste water works is vested.

\*Where an application is being submitted on behalf of more than one water services authority the details provided in Section B.1 shall be that of the lead water services authority.

<b>Name*:</b>	Mr. Gerry Boyle
<b>Address:</b>	Meath County Council, Infrastructure Department
	County Hall, Railway Street
	Navan,
	Co. Meath
<b>Tel:</b>	046 9097000
<b>Fax:</b>	046 9097001
<b>e-mail:</b>	gboyle@meathcoco.ie

\*This should be the name of person nominated by the water services authority for the purposes of the application.

#### Co-Applicant's Details

<b>Name*:</b>	Not Applicable
<b>Address:</b>	Not Applicable
<b>Tel:</b>	Not Applicable
<b>Fax:</b>	Not Applicable
<b>e-mail:</b>	Not Applicable

\*This should be the name of a water services authority, other than the lead authority, where multiple authorities are the subject of a waste water discharge (authorisation) licence application.

**Design, Build & Operate Contractor Details**

<b>Name*:</b>	EPS Ltd.
<b>Address:</b>	Quartermown Industrial Estate,
	Mallow,
	Co. Cork
<b>Tel:</b>	022 31200
<b>Fax:</b>	022 31250
<b>e-mail:</b>	contracts@epsireland.com

\*Where a design, build & operate contract is in place for the waste water works, or any part thereof, the details of the contractor should be provided.

**Attachment B.1** should contain appropriately scaled drawings / maps ( $\leq A3$ ) of the agglomeration served by the waste water works showing the boundary clearly marked in red ink. These drawings / maps should also be provided as geo-referenced digital drawing files (e.g., ESRI Shapefile, MapInfo Tab, AutoCAD or other upon agreement) in Irish National Grid Projection. These drawings should be provided to the Agency on a separate CD-Rom containing sections B.2, B.3, B.4, B.5, C.1, D.2, E.3 and F.2.

Attachment included	Yes	No
	✓	

**B.2 Location of Associated Waste Water Treatment Plant(s)**

Give the location of the waste water treatment plant associated with the waste water works, if such a plant or plants exists.

<b>Name*:</b>	Mr. Robert Tormay
<b>Address:</b>	Athboy WWTW,
	Townparks,
	Athboy
	Co. Meath
<b>Grid ref (6E, 6N)</b>	E272055, N263675
<b>Level of Treatment</b>	Preliminary, Secondary and Biological
<b>Primary Telephone:</b>	086-0455320
<b>Fax:</b>	Not applicable
<b>e-mail:</b>	Not applicable

\*This should be the name of the person responsible for the supervision of the waste water treatment plant.

**Attachment B.2** should contain appropriately scaled drawings / maps ( $\leq A3$ ) of the site boundary and overall site plan, including labelled discharge, monitoring and sampling points. These drawings / maps should also be provided as geo-referenced digital drawing files (e.g., ESRI Shapefile, MapInfo Tab, AutoCAD or other upon agreement) in Irish National Grid Projection. These drawings should be provided to the Agency on a separate CD-Rom containing sections B.1, B.3, B.4, B.5, C.1, D.2, E.3 and F.2.



Attachment included	Yes	No
	✓	

### B.3 Location of Primary Discharge Point

Give the location of the primary discharge point, as defined in the Waste Water Discharge (Authorisation) Regulation, associated with the waste water works.

<b>Type of Discharge</b>	Discharge from 600mm final effluent pipeline with flap/non return valve
<b>Unique Point Code</b>	PSW1
<b>Location</b>	River Athboy
<b>Grid ref (6E, 6N)</b>	E272048, N263611

**Attachment B.3** should contain appropriately scaled drawings / maps ( $\leq A3$ ) of the discharge point, including labelled monitoring and sampling points associated with the discharge point. These drawings / maps should also be provided as geo-referenced digital drawing files (e.g. ESRI Shapefile, MapInfo Tab, AutoCAD or other upon agreement) in Irish National Grid Projection. This data should be provided to the Agency on a separate CD-Rom containing the drawings and tabular data requested in sections B.1, B.2, B.4, B.5, C.1, D.2, E.3 and F.2.

Attachment included	Yes	No
	✓	

### B.4 Location of Secondary Discharge Point(s)

Give the location of **all** secondary discharge point(s) associated with the waste water works. Please refer to Guidance Note for information on Secondary discharge points.

<b>Type of Discharge</b>	Not Applicable
<b>Unique Point Code</b>	Not Applicable
<b>Location</b>	Not Applicable
<b>Grid ref (6E, 6N)</b>	Not Applicable

**Attachment B.4** should contain appropriately scaled drawings / maps ( $\leq A3$ ) of the discharge point(s), including labelled monitoring and sampling points associated with the discharge point(s). These drawings / maps should also be provided as geo-referenced digital drawing files (e.g. ESRI Shapefile, MapInfo Tab, AutoCAD or other upon agreement) in Irish National Grid Projection. This data should be provided to the Agency on a separate CD-Rom containing sections B.1, B.2, B.3, B.5, C.1, D.2, E.3 and F.2.

Attachment included	Yes	No
		✓

### B.5 Location of Storm Water Overflow Point(s)

Give the location of **all** storm water overflow point(s) associated with the waste water works.

<b>Type of Discharge</b>	Stormwater overflow to main outfall pipe to Athboy River
<b>Unique Point Code</b>	SW2
<b>Location</b>	Wastewater treatment plant manhole (on outfall pipeline)
<b>Grid ref (6E, 6N)</b>	E272047 N263610

*Please note: The primary discharge pipe is designed to incorporate the screened storm tank overflow. The screened storm water joins the outfall manhole before discharge to the river – this is shown as point SW2 on drawing 20285-DL-AY-04 in Attachment B5.*

**Attachment B.5** should contain appropriately scaled drawings / maps ( $\leq A3$ ) of storm water overflow point(s) associated with the waste water works, including labelled monitoring and sampling points associated with the discharge point(s). These drawings / maps should also be provided as geo-referenced digital drawing files (e.g. ESRI Shapefile, MapInfo Tab, AutoCAD or other upon agreement) in Irish National Grid Projection. This data should be provided to the Agency on a separate CD-Rom containing sections B.1, B.2, B.3, B.4, C.1, D.2, E.3 and F.2.

Attachment included	Yes	No
	✓	

### B.6 Planning Authority

Give the name of the planning authority, or authorities, in whose functional area the discharge or discharges take place or are proposed to take place.

<b>Name:</b>	Meath County Council
<b>Address:</b>	Planning Department
	Abbey Mall
	Abbey Road
	Navan, Co. Meath
<b>Tel:</b>	046 9097500
<b>Fax:</b>	046 9097577
<b>e-mail:</b>	planning@meathcoco.ie

Planning Permission relating to the waste water works which is the subject of this application:- (tick as appropriate)

<i>has been obtained</i>	✓	<i>is being processed</i>	
<i>is not yet applied for</i>		<i>is not required</i>	

<b>Local Authority Planning File Reference N<sup>o</sup>:</b>	Not applicable
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**Attachment B.6** should contain *the most recent* planning permission, including a copy of *all* conditions, and where an EIS was required, copies of any such EIS and any certification associated with the EIS, should also be enclosed. Where planning permission is not required for the development, provide reasons, relevant correspondence, *etc.*

Attachment included	Yes	No
	✓	

### B.7 Other Authorities

B.7 (i) Shannon Free Airport Development Company (SFADCo.) area

The applicant should tick the appropriate box below to identify whether the discharge or discharges are located within the Shannon Free Airport Development Company (SFADCo.) area.

**Attachment B.7(i)** should contain details of any or all discharges located within the SFADCo. area.

Within the SFADCo Area	Yes	No
		✓

B.7 (ii) Health Services Executive Region

The applicant should indicate the **Health Services Executive Region** where the discharge or discharges are or will be located.

<b>Name:</b>	Health Service Executive Dublin North Eastern Area
<b>Address:</b>	Kells
	Co. Meath
<b>Tel:</b>	046 9280500
<b>Fax:</b>	046 9241459
<b>e-mail:</b>	<a href="mailto:info@hse.ie">info@hse.ie</a>

B.7 (iii) Other Relevant Water Services Authorities

Regulation 13 of the Waste Water Discharge (Authorisation) Regulations, 2007 requires all applicants, not being the water services authority in whose functional area the relevant waste water discharge or discharges, to which the relevant application relates, takes place or is to take place, to notify the relevant water services authority of the said application.

<b>Name:</b>	<i>Not Applicable</i>
<b>Address:</b>	<i>Not Applicable</i>
<b>Tel:</b>	<i>Not Applicable</i>
<b>Fax:</b>	<i>Not Applicable</i>
<b>e-mail:</b>	<i>Not Applicable</i>

Relevant Authority Notified	Yes	No
		✓

**Attachment B.7(iii)** should contain a copy of the notice issued to the relevant local authority.

Attachment included	Yes	No
		✓

## B.8 Notices and Advertisements

Regulations 10 and 11 of the Waste Water Discharge (Authorisation) Regulations, 2007 require all applicants to advertise the application in a newspaper and by way of a site notice. See *Guidance Note*.

**Attachment B.8** should contain a copy of the site notice and an appropriately scaled drawing ( $\leq A3$ ) showing its location. **The original application must include the original page of the newspaper in which the advertisement was placed.** The relevant page of the newspaper containing the advertisement should be included with the original and two copies of the application.

Attachment included	Yes	No
	✓	

## B.9 (i) Population Equivalent of Agglomeration

**TABLE B.9.1 POPULATION EQUIVALENT OF AGGLOMERATION**

*The population equivalent (p.e.) of the agglomeration to be, or being, served by the waste water works should be provided and the period in which the population equivalent data was compiled should be indicated.*

<b>Population Equivalent</b>	2014 = 3,286pe
<b>Data Compiled (Year)</b>	June-July 2008
<b>Method</b>	Flow and Load Survey - kgBOD/d ÷ 60g/h

The preliminary report compiled in 2003 estimated the population equivalent in 2024 to be approximately 5,800. Therefore, the plant for Phase 1 is designed for 5800 PE. This population projection was based on an evaluation of the population

at the time (2003), planning applications and the Meath County Development Plan 2001.

Based on EPS monitoring figures (Flow and Load) from April-June 2008 the PE for the town is approximately 3,286. This correlates with the figures from the 2003 preliminary report.

The population above is based on the latest Flow and Load survey conducted at the treatment plant. The 2008 figure directly correlates to the projected population equivalent detailed in the original preliminary report.

- Flow and Load survey (2008 population); 3,286
- Preliminary Report (projected 2008 population); 3,509

#### B.9 (ii) Pending Development

Where planning permission has been granted for development(s), but development has not been commenced or completed to date, within the boundary of the agglomeration and this development is being, or is to be, served by the waste water works provide the following information;

- information on the calculated population equivalent (p.e.) to be contributed to the waste water works as a result of those planning permissions granted,
- the percentage of the projected p.e. to be contributed by the non-domestic activities, and
- the ability of the waste water works to accommodate this extra hydraulic and organic loading without posing an environmental risk to the receiving water habitat.

It is estimated that the Athboy WWTW will serve a population equivalent of 3,871 by 2015. This is comfortably within the design limit. 2015 is to include for the life span of the waste water discharge licence.

Source	Existing P.E.	Pending P.E.	Projected P.E. (2015)	Design P.E.
Domestic	2502	60	360	5800
Non-Domestic	784	40	125	
Imported Liquid Wastes	0	0	0	
Sub-Total	3286	100	485	
Total (Existing+Pending+Projected)			3871	

#### B.9 (iii) FEES

State the relevant Class of waste water discharge as per Column 1 of the Second Schedule, and the appropriate fee as per Columns 2 or 3 of the Third Schedule of the Waste Water Discharges (Authorisation) Regulations 2007, S.I. No. 684 of 2007.

Class of waste water discharge	Fee (in €)
Discharges from agglomerations with a population equivalent of 2,001 – 10,000	€25,000

Appropriate Fee Included	Yes	No
	✓	

### B.10 Capital Investment Programme

State whether a programme of works has been prioritised for the development of infrastructure to appropriately collect, convey, treat and discharge waste water from the relevant agglomeration. If a programme of works has been prioritised provide details on funding, (local or national), allocated to the capital project. Provide details on the extent and type of work to be undertaken and the likely timeframes for this work to be completed.

**Attachment B.10** should contain the most recent development programme, including a copy of any approved funding for the project and a timeframe for the completion of the necessary works to take place.

Attachment included	Yes	No
	✓	

### B.11 Significant Correspondence

Provide a summary of any correspondence resulting from a Section 63 notice issued by the Agency in relation to the waste water works under the Environmental Protection Agency Acts, 1992 and 2003, as amended by Section 13 of Protection of the Environment Act, 2003.

**Attachment B.11** should contain a summary of any relevant correspondence issued in relation to a Section 63 notice.

Attachment included	Yes	No
		✓

### B.12 Foreshore Act Licences.

Provide a copy of the most recent Foreshore Act licence issued in relation to discharges from the waste water works issued under the Foreshore Act 1933.

**Attachment B.12** should contain the most recent licence issued under the Foreshore Act 1933, including a copy of **all** conditions attached to the licence and any monitoring returns for the previous 12-month period, if applicable.

Attachment included	Yes	No
		✓

## SECTION C: INFRASTRUCTURE & OPERATION

Advice on completing this section is provided in the accompanying Guidance Note.

### C.1 Operational Information Requirements

Provide a description of the plant, process and design capacity for the areas of the waste water works where discharges occur, to include a copy of such plans, drawings or maps, (site plans and location maps, process flow diagrams), and such other particulars, reports and supporting documentation as are necessary to describe all aspects of the area of the waste water works discharging to the aquatic environment. Maps and drawings must be no larger than A3 size.

#### C.1.1 Storm Water Overflows

For each storm water overflow within the waste water works the following information shall be submitted:

- An assessment to determine compliance with the criteria for storm water overflows, as set out in the DoEHLG 'Procedures and Criteria in Relation to Storm Water Overflows', 1995 and any other guidance as may be specified by the Agency, and
- Identify whether any of the storm water overflows are to be decommissioned, and identify a date by which these overflows will cease, if applicable.

#### C.1.2 Pumping Stations

For each pump station operating within the waste water works, provide details of the following:

- Number of duty and standby pumps at each pump station;
- The measures taken in the event of power failure;
- Details of storage capacity at each pump station;
- Frequency and duration of activation of emergency overflow to receiving waters. Clarify the location where such discharges enter the receiving waters.

**Attachment C.1** should contain supporting documentation with regard to the plant and process capacity, systems, storm water overflows, emergency overflows, etc., including flow diagrams of each with any relevant additional information. These drawings / maps should also be provided as geo-referenced digital drawing files (e.g. ESRI Shapefile, MapInfo Tab, AutoCAD or other upon agreement) in Irish National Grid Projection. This data should be provided to the Agency on a separate CD-Rom containing sections B.1, B.2, B.3, B.4, B.5, D.2, E.3 and F.2.

Attachment included	Yes	No
	✓	

## C.2 Outfall Design and Construction

Provide details on the primary discharge point & secondary discharge points and storm overflows to include reference, location, design criteria and construction detail.

**Attachment C.2** should contain any supporting documentation on the design and construction of any and all discharge outfalls, including stormwater overflows, from the waste water works.

Attachment included	Yes	No
	✓	

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## SECTION D: DISCHARGES TO THE AQUATIC ENVIRONMENT

*Advice on completing this section is provided in the accompanying Guidance Note.*

Give particulars of the source, location, nature, composition, quantity, level and rate of discharges arising from the agglomeration and, where relevant, the period or periods during which such emissions are made or are to be made.

Details of all discharges of waste water from the agglomeration should be submitted via the following web based link: [http://78.137.160.73/epa\\_wwd\\_licensing/](http://78.137.160.73/epa_wwd_licensing/). *The applicant should address in particular all discharge points where the substances outlined in Tables D.1(i), (b) & (c) and D.1(ii), (b) & (c) of Annex 1 are emitted.*

Where it is considered that any of the substances listed in Annex X of the Water Framework Directive (2000/60/EC) or any of the Relevant Pollutants listed in Annex VIII of the Water Framework Directive (2000/60/EC) are being discharged from the waste water works or are seen to be present in the receiving water environment downstream of a discharge from the works (as a result of any monitoring programme, e.g., under the Water Framework Directive Programme of Measures) the applicant shall screen the discharge for the relevant substance.

### D.1 Discharges to Surface Waters

Details of all discharges of waste water from the agglomeration should be supplied via the following web based link: [http://78.137.160.73/epa\\_wwd\\_licensing/](http://78.137.160.73/epa_wwd_licensing/). Tables D.1(i)(a), (b) & (c), should be completed for the primary discharge point from the agglomeration and Tables D.1(ii)(a), (b) & (c) should be completed for **each** secondary discharge point, where relevant. Table D.1(iii)(a) should be completed for **each** storm water overflow. Individual Tables must be completed for each discharge point.

Where monitoring information is available for the influent to the plant this data should also be provided in response to Section D.1.

Supporting information should form **Attachment D.1**

Attachment included	Yes	No
	✓	

**D.2 Tabular Data on Discharge Points**

Applicants should submit the following information for each discharge point:

**Table D.2:**

PT_CD	PT_TYPE	LA_NAME	RWB_TYPE	RWB_NAME	DESIGNATION	EASTING	NORTHING
Point Code Provide label ID's	Point Type (e.g., Primary/ Secondary/ Storm Water Overflow)	Local Authority Name (e.g., Donegal County Council)	Receiving Water Body Type (e.g., River, Lake, Groundwater, Transitional, Coastal)	Receiving Water Body Name (e.g., River Suir)	Protected Area Type (e.g., SAC, candidate SAC, NHA, SPA etc.)	6E-digit GPS Irish National Grid Reference	6N-digit GPS Irish National Grid Reference
PSW1	Primary	Meath County Council	River	Athboy River	SAC	272029	263610
SW2	Storm Water Overflow	Meath County Council	River	Athboy River	SAC	272048	263611

An individual record (i.e. row) is required for each discharge point. Acceptable file formats include Excel, Access or other upon agreement with the Agency. A standard Excel template can be downloaded from the EPA website at [www.epa.ie](http://www.epa.ie). This data should be submitted to the Agency on a separate CD-Rom containing sections B.1, B.2, B.3, B.4, B.5, C.1, E.3 and F.2.

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## SECTION E: MONITORING

*Advice on completing this section is provided in the accompanying Guidance Note.*

### E.1 Waste Water Discharge Frequency and Quantities – Existing & Proposed

Provide an estimation of the quantity of waste water likely to be emitted in relation to all primary and secondary discharge points applied for. This information should be included in Table E.1(i) via the following web based link: [http://78.137.160.73/epa\\_wwd\\_licensing/](http://78.137.160.73/epa_wwd_licensing/).

Provide an estimation of the quantity of waste water likely to be emitted in relation to all storm water overflows within the agglomeration applied for. This information should be included in Table E.1(ii) via the following web based link: [http://78.137.160.73/epa\\_wwd\\_licensing/](http://78.137.160.73/epa_wwd_licensing/).

Indicate if composite sampling or continuous flow monitoring is in place on the primary or any other discharge points. Detail any plans and timescales for the provision of composite sampling and continuous flow meters.

### E.2. Monitoring and Sampling Points

Programmes for environmental monitoring should be submitted as part of the application. These programmes should be provided as Attachment E.2.

Reference should be made to, provision of sampling points and safe means of access, sampling methods, analytical and quality control procedures, including equipment calibration, equipment maintenance and data recording/reporting procedures to be carried out in order to ensure accurate and reliable monitoring.

In determining the sampling programme to be carried out, the variability of the emission and its effect on the receiving environment should be considered.

Details of any accreditation or certification of analysis should be included.

**Attachment E.2** should contain any supporting information.

Attachment included	Yes	No
	✓	

### E.3. Tabular data on Monitoring and Sampling Points

Applicants should submit the following information for each monitoring and sampling point:

PT_CD	PT_TYPE	MON_TYPE	EASTING	NORTHING	VERIFIED
Point Code Provide label ID's assigned in section E of application	Point Type (e.g., Primary, Secondary, Storm Water Overflow)	Monitoring Type M = Monitoring S = Sampling	6E-digit GPS Irish National Grid Reference	6N-digit GPS Irish National Grid Reference	Y = GPS used N = GPS not used
PSW1	Primary	Sampling	272029	263610	Y
aSW1u	Primary	Sampling	271818	264149	Y
aSW1d	Primary	Sampling	272512	263247	Y

An individual record (i.e., row) is required for each monitoring and sampling point. Acceptable file formats include Excel, Access or other upon agreement with the Agency. A standard Excel template can be downloaded from the EPA website at [www.epa.ie](http://www.epa.ie). This data should be submitted to the Agency on a separate CD-Rom containing sections B.1, B.2, B.3, B.4, B.5, C.1, D.2 and F.2.

### E.4 Sampling Data

Regulation 16(1)(h) of the Waste Water Discharge (Authorisation) Regulations 2007 requires all applicants in the case of an existing waste water treatment plant to specify the sampling data pertaining to the discharge based on the samples taken in the 12 months preceding the making of the application.

Regulation 16(1)(l) of the regulations requires applicants to give details of compliance with any applicable monitoring requirements and treatment standards.

**Attachment E.4** should contain any supporting information.

Attachment included	Yes	No
	✓	

## SECTION F: EXISTING ENVIRONMENT & IMPACT OF THE DISCHARGE(S)

*Advice on completing this section is provided in the accompanying Guidance Note.*

Detailed information is required to enable the Agency to assess the existing receiving environment. This section requires the provision of information on the ambient environmental conditions within the receiving water(s) upstream and downstream of any discharge(s).

Where development is proposed to be carried out, being development which is of a class for the time being specified under Article 24 (First Schedule) of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, the information on the state of the existing environment should be addressed in the EIS. **In such cases, it will suffice for the purposes of this section to provide adequate cross-references to the relevant sections in the EIS.**

### F.1. Assessment of Impact on Receiving Surface or Ground Water

- Give summary details and an assessment of the impacts of any existing or proposed emissions on the environment, including environmental media other than those into which the emissions are to be made.
- Details of all monitoring of the receiving water should be supplied via the following web based link: [http://137.160.73/epa\\_wwd\\_licensing/](http://137.160.73/epa_wwd_licensing/). Tables F.1(i)(a) & (b) should be completed for the primary discharge point. Surface water monitoring locations upstream and downstream of the discharge point shall be screened for those substances listed in Tables F.1(i)(a) & (b). Monitoring of surface water shall be carried out at not less than two points, one upstream from the discharge location and one downstream.
- For discharges from secondary discharge points Tables F.1(ii)(a) & (b) should be completed. Furthermore, provide summary details and an assessment of the impacts of any existing or proposed emissions on the surface water or ground (aquifers, soils, sub-soils and rock environment), including any impact on environmental media other than those into which the emissions are to be made.
- Provide details of the extent and type of ground emissions at the works. For larger discharges to groundwaters, e.g., from Integrated Constructed Wetlands, large scale percolation areas, etc., a comprehensive report must be completed which should include, inter alia, topography, meteorological data, water quality, geology, hydrology, and hydrogeology. The latter must in particular present the aquifer classification and vulnerability. The Geological Survey of Ireland Groundwater Protection Scheme Dept of the Environment and Local Government, Geological Survey of Ireland, EPA (1999) methodology should be used for any such classification. This report should also identify all surface water bodies and water wells that may be at risk as a result of the ground discharge.

- Describe the existing environment in terms of water quality with particular reference to environmental quality standards or other legislative standards. Submit a copy of the most recent water quality management plan or catchment management plan in place for the receiving water body. Give details of any designation under any Council Directive or Regulations that apply in relation to the receiving water.
- Provide a statement as to whether or not emissions of main polluting substances (as defined in the *Dangerous Substances Regulations S.I. No. 12 of 2001*) to water are likely to impair the environment.
- In circumstances where water abstraction points exist downstream of any discharge describe measures to be undertaken to ensure that discharges from the waste water works will not have a significant effect on faecal coliform, salmonella and protozoan pathogen numbers, e.g., *Cryptosporidium* and *Giardia*, in the receiving water environment.
- Indicate whether or not emissions from the agglomeration or any plant, methods, processes, operating procedures or other factors which affect such emissions are likely to have a significant effect on –
  - (a) a site (until the adoption, in respect of the site, of a decision by the European Commission under Article 21 of Council Directive 92/43/EEC for the purposes of the third paragraph of Article 4(2) of that Directive) –
    - (i) notified for the purposes of Regulation 4 of the Natural Habitats Regulations, subject to any amendments made to it by virtue of Regulation 5 of those Regulations,
    - (ii) details of which have been transmitted to the Commission in accordance with Regulation 5(4) of the Natural Habitats Regulations, or
    - (iii) added by virtue of Regulation 6 of the Natural Habitats Regulations to the list transmitted to the Commission in accordance with Regulation 5(4) of those Regulations,
  - (b) a site adopted by the European Commission as a site of Community importance for the purposes of Article 4(2) of Council Directive 92/43/EEC<sup>1</sup> in accordance with the procedures laid down in Article 21 of that Directive,
  - (c) a special area of conservation within the meaning of the Natural Habitats Regulations, or
  - (d) an area classified pursuant to Article 4(1) or 4(2) of Council Directive 79/409/EEC<sup>2</sup>;

<sup>1</sup>Council Directive 92/43/EEC of 21 May 1992 on the conservation of natural habitats and of wild fauna and flora (OJ No. L 206, 22.07.1992)

<sup>2</sup>Council Directive 79/409/EEC of 2 April 1979 on the conservation of wild birds (OJ No. L 103, 25.4.1979)

- Describe, where appropriate, measures for minimising pollution over long distances or in the territory of other states.
- This section should also contain full details of any modelling of discharges from the agglomeration. Full details of the assessment and any other relevant information on the receiving environment should be submitted as **Attachment F.1**.

Attachment included	Yes	No
	✓	

## F.2 Tabular Data on Drinking Water Abstraction Point(s)

Applicants should submit the following information for each downstream or downgradient drinking water abstraction point. The zone of contribution for the abstraction point should be delineated and any potential risks from the waste water discharge to the water quality at that abstraction point identified.

ABS_CD	AGG_SERVED	ABS_VOL	PT_CD	DIS_DS	EASTING	NORTHING	VERIFIED
Abstraction Code	Agglomeration served	Abstraction Volume in m <sup>3</sup> /day	Point Code Provide label ID's	Distance Downstream in meters from Emission Point to Abstraction Point	6E-digit GPS Irish National Grid Reference	6N-digit GPS Irish National Grid Reference	Y = GPS used N = GPS not used
TRIM WTP Trim Supply code: 2300PUB1009	8140	3200		Athboy WWT to Trim Abstraction point = 16000m	283005	256375	Y
East Meath Supply Code: 2300PUB1008, Louth Co. Co. Supply Code: 2100PUB1008, Drogheda Borough Council Supply Code: 2100PUB1019	Drogheda Borough Council (25,000) East Meath Water Supply (30,000) Louth County Council - Termonfeckin/Clougherhead (2,110) = Total Population Served: 57,100 persons	Supply Volume: Drogheda Borough Council (14,000) East Meath Water Supply (15,000) Louth Co. Co. Termonfeckin/Clougherhead (1,100) = Total Volume Served: 30,100 cu.m/d		(Athboy to- East Meath Abstraction point = 36000m	301750	272150	N

**Note:** Attach any risk assessment that may have been carried out in relation to the abstraction point(s) listed.

An individual record (i.e. row) is required for each abstraction point. Acceptable file formats include Excel, Access or other upon agreement with the Agency. A standard Excel template can be downloaded from the EPA website at [www.epa.ie](http://www.epa.ie). This data should be submitted to the Agency on a separate CD-Rom containing sections B.1, B.2, B.3, B.4, B.5, C.1, D.2 and E.3.

**Attachment F.2** should contain any supporting information.

## SECTION G: PROGRAMMES OF IMPROVEMENTS

*Advice on completing this section is provided in the accompanying Guidance Note.*

### G.1 Compliance with Council Directives

Provide details on a programme of improvements to ensure that emissions from the agglomeration or any premises, plant, methods, processes, operating procedures or other factors which affect such emissions will comply with, or will not result in the contravention of the;

- Dangerous Substances Directive 2006/11/EC,
- Water Framework Directive 2000/60/EC,
- Birds Directive 79/409/EEC,
- Groundwater Directives 80/68/EEC & 2006/118/EC,
- Drinking Water Directives 80/778/EEC,
- Urban Waste Water Treatment Directive 91/271/EEC,
- Habitats Directive 92/43/EEC,
- Environmental Liabilities Directive 2004/35/EC,
- Bathing Water Directive 76/160/EEC, and
- Shellfish Waters Directive (79/923/EEC).

**Attachment G.1** should contain the most recent programme of improvements, including a copy of any approved funding for the project and a timeframe for the completion of the necessary works to take place.

Attachment included	Yes	No
	✓	

### G.2 Compliance with Water Quality Standards for Phosphorus Regulations (S.I. No. 258 of 1998).

Provide details on a programme of improvements, including any water quality management plans or catchment management plans in place, to ensure that improvements of water quality required under the Water Quality Standards for Phosphorous Regulations (S.I. No. 258 of 1998) are being achieved. Provide details of any specific measures adopted for waste water works specified in Phosphorus Measures Implementation reports and the progress to date of those measures. Provide details highlighting any waste water works that have been identified as the principal sources of pollution under the P regulations.

**Attachment G.2** should contain the most recent programme of improvements and any associated documentation requested under Section G.3 of the application.

Attachment included	Yes	No
	✓	



**G.3 Impact Mitigation**

Provide details on a programme of improvements to ensure that discharges from the agglomeration will not result in significant environmental pollution.

**Attachment G.3** should contain the most recent programme of improvements, including a copy of any approved funding for the project and a timeframe for the completion of the necessary works to take place.

Attachment included	Yes	No
	✓	

**G.4 Storm Water Overflow**

Provide details on a programme of improvements to ensure that discharges other than the primary and secondary discharges comply with the definition of 'storm water overflow' as per Regulation 3 of the Waste Water Discharge (Authorisation) Regulations, 2007.

**Attachment G.4** should contain the most recent programme of improvements, including a copy of any approved funding for the project and a timeframe for the completion of the necessary works to take place.

Attachment included	Yes	No
	✓	

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**SECTION H: DECLARATION****Declaration**

I hereby make application for a waste water discharge licence/revised licence, pursuant to the provisions of the Waste Water Discharge (Authorisation) Regulations, 2007 (S.I. No. 684 of 2007).

I certify that the information given in this application is truthful, accurate and complete.

I give consent to the EPA to copy this application for its own use and to make it available for inspection and copying by the public, both in the form of paper files available for inspection at EPA and local authority offices, and via the EPA's website.

This consent relates to this application itself and to any further information or submission, whether provided by me as Applicant, any person acting on the Applicant's behalf, or any other person.

Signed by: Eugene Cummings  
(on behalf of the organisation)

Date: 18.8.08

Print signature name: EUGENE CUMMINGS

Position in organisation: DIRECTOR OF SERVICES

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## SECTION I: JOINT DECLARATION

### Joint Declaration <sup>Note 1</sup>

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### Lead Authority

Signed by : \_\_\_\_\_ Date : \_\_\_\_\_  
(on behalf of the organisation)

Print signature name: \_\_\_\_\_

Position in organisation: \_\_\_\_\_

### Co-Applicants

Signed by : \_\_\_\_\_ Date : \_\_\_\_\_  
(on behalf of the organisation)

Print signature name: \_\_\_\_\_

Position in organisation: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed by : \_\_\_\_\_ Date : \_\_\_\_\_  
(on behalf of the organisation)

Print signature name: \_\_\_\_\_

Position in organisation: \_\_\_\_\_

**Note 1:** In the case of an application being lodged on behalf of more than a single water services authority the following declaration must be signed by all applicants.

Agglomeration details

Leading Local Authority	Meath County Council
Co-Applicants	
Agglomeration	Athboy Waste Water Treatment Plant
Population Equivalent	3286
Level of Treatment	Preliminary, Secondary and Biological
Treatment plant address	Athboy WWTW, Townparks, Athboy, Co. Meath
Grid Ref (12 digits, 6E, 6N)	272055 / 263675
EPA Reference No:	

Contact details

Contact Name:	Mr. Gerry Boyle
Contact Address:	Infrastructure Dept., County Hall, Railway Street, Navan, Co. Meath
Contact Number:	046 9097000
Contact Fax:	046 9097001
Contact Email:	info@meathcoco.ie

Table D.1(i)(a): EMISSIONS TO SURFACE/GROUND WATERS (Primary Discharge Point)

Discharge Point Code: SW-1

Local Authority Ref No:	
Source of Emission:	Athboy Waste Water Treatment Plant
Location:	Athboy, Co. Meath
Grid Ref (12 digits, 6E, 6N)	272055 / 263675
Name of Receiving waters:	Athboy River
River Basin District	Eastern RBD
Designation of Receiving Waters:	SAC
Flow Rate in Receiving Waters:	0.07 m <sup>3</sup> .sec <sup>-1</sup> Dry Weather Flow
	0.17 m <sup>3</sup> .sec <sup>-1</sup> 95% Weather Flow

Emission Details:

(i) Volume emitted			
Normal/day	1305 m <sup>3</sup>	Maximum/day	3915 m <sup>3</sup>
Maximum rate/hour	54.375 m <sup>3</sup>	Period of emission (avg)	60 min/hr 24 hr/day 365 day/yr
Dry Weather Flow	0.0151 m <sup>3</sup> /sec		

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Table D.1(i)(b): EMISSIONS TO SURFACE/GROUND WATERS - Characteristics of The Emission (Primary Discharge Point)

Discharge Point Code: SW-1

Substance	As discharged			
	Unit of Measurement	Sampling Method	Max Daily Avg.	kg/day
pH	pH	24 hr flow proportional	=7.45	
Temperature	°C	24 hr flow proportional	=10	
Electrical Conductivity (@ 25°C)	µS/cm	24 hr flow proportional	=7.68	
Suspended Solids	mg/l	24 hr flow proportional	<2	3.35
Ammonia (as N)	mg/l	24 hr flow proportional	=2.115	3.542
Biochemical Oxygen Demand	mg/l	24 hr flow proportional	=1	1.675
Chemical Oxygen Demand	mg/l	24 hr flow proportional	=25	41.875
Total Nitrogen (as N)	mg/l	24 hr flow proportional	=16.695	27.965
Nitrite (as N)	mg/l	24 hr flow proportional	=1.55	2.597
Nitrate (as N)	mg/l	24 hr flow proportional	=9.5	15.913
Total Phosphorous (as P)	mg/l	24 hr flow proportional	=0.6125	1.026
OrthoPhosphate (as P)	mg/l	24 hr flow proportional	=0.454	0.761
Sulphate (SO <sub>4</sub> )	mg/l	2 hr composite	=62.665	104.964
Phenols (Sum)	µg/l	24 hr flow proportional	<10	0.017

For Orthophosphate: this monitoring should be undertaken on a sample filtered on 0.45m filter paper

For Phenols: USEPA Method 604, AWWA Standard Method 6240, or equivalent.

Table D.1(i)(c): DANGEROUS SUBSTANCE EMISSIONS TO SURFACE/GROUND WATERS - Characteristics of The Emission (Primary Discharge Point)

Discharge Point Code: SW-1

Substance	As discharged			
	Unit of Measurement	Sampling Method	Max Daily Avg.	kg/day
Atrazine	µg/l	24 hr flow proportional	<1	0.002
Dichloromethane	µg/l	24 hr flow proportional	<1	0.002
Simazine	µg/l	24 hr flow proportional	<1	0.002
Toluene	µg/l	24 hr flow proportional	<1	0.002
Tributyltin	µg/l	24 hr flow proportional	<0.02	0.001
Xylenes	µg/l	24 hr flow proportional	<1	0.002
Arsenic	µg/l	24 hr flow proportional	<1	0.002
Chromium	µg/l	24 hr flow proportional	=2.5	0.005
Copper	µg/l	24 hr flow proportional	=3.5	0.006
Cyanide	µg/l	24 hr flow proportional	<50	0.084
Flouride	µg/l	24 hr composite	=189.5	0.318
Lead	µg/l	24 hr flow proportional	=0.5	0.001
Nickel	µg/l	24 hr flow proportional	<3	0.006
Zinc	µg/l	24 hr flow proportional	<24	0.041
Boron	µg/l	24 hr flow proportional	=15	0.026
Cadmium	µg/l	24 hr flow proportional	=0.1	0.001
Mercury	µg/l	24 hr flow proportional	=0.1	0.001
Selenium	µg/l	24 hr flow proportional	=2	0.004
Barium	µg/l	24 hr flow proportional	=15	0.026

For Orthophosphate: this monitoring should be undertaken on a sample filtered on 0.45m filter paper

For Phenols: USEPA Method 604, AWWA Standard Method 6240, or equivalent.

Table D.1(iii)(a): EMISSIONS TO SURFACE/GROUND WATERS (Storm Overflow)

Discharge Point Code: SW-2

Local Authority Ref No:	
Source of Emission:	Athboy Waste Water Treatment Plant (Storm Water Ta
Location:	Athboy, Co. Meath
Grid Ref (12 digits, 6E, 6N)	272048 / 263611
Name of Receiving waters:	Athboy River
River Basin District	Eastern RBD
Designation of Receiving Waters:	SAC
Flow Rate in Receiving Waters:	0.07 m <sup>3</sup> .sec <sup>-1</sup> Dry Weather Flow
	0.17 m <sup>3</sup> .sec <sup>-1</sup> 95% Weather Flow

Emission Details:

(i) Volume emitted			
Normal/day	m <sup>3</sup>	Maximum/day	m <sup>3</sup>
Maximum rate/hour	m <sup>3</sup>	Period of emission (avg)	min/hr hr/day day/yr
Dry Weather Flow	m <sup>3</sup> /sec		

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TABLE E.1(i): WASTE WATER FREQUENCY AND QUANTITY OF DISCHARGE – Primary and Secondary Discharge Points

Identification Code for Discharge point	Frequency of discharge (days/annum)	Quantity of Waste Water Discharged (m3/annum)
SW-1	365	476325

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TABLE E.1(ii): WASTE WATER FREQUENCY AND QUANTITY OF DISCHARGE – Storm Water Overflows

Identification Code for Discharge point	Frequency of discharge (days/annum)	Quantity of Waste Water Discharged (m3/annum)	Complies with Definition of Storm Water Overflow
SW-2			No

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TABLE F.1(i)(a): SURFACE/GROUND WATER MONITORING

## Primary Discharge Point

Discharge Point Code:	SW-1
MONITORING POINT CODE:	aSW-1d
Grid Ref (12 digits, 6E, 6N)	272512 / 263247 (Verified using GPS)

Parameter	Results (mg/l)				Sampling method	Limit of Quantitation	Analysis method / technique
	19/08/08	20/08/08					
pH	= 7.6	= 7.7			Grab	14	pH-4500 H <sup>+</sup> Electrochemical
Temperature	= 9.5	= 10			Grab		Temperature APHA
Electrical Conductivity (@ 25°C)	= 563	= 645			Grab	200	Conductivity 2510 B (APHA)
Suspended Solids	= 4	= 6			Grab	2	2540 D Total Suspended Solids
Ammonia (as N)	= 0.086	= 0.056			Grab	0.02	Ammonia 4500 ISE
Biochemical Oxygen Demand	< 2	< 2			Grab	2	5210 B (BOD5)
Chemical Oxygen Demand	= 24	= 26			Grab	2	HACH Method 8507
Dissolved Oxygen	= 10.99	= 11.04			Grab	20	4500-02 Dissolved Oxygen Membrane Electrode
Hardness (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	= 308	= 344			Grab	20	Hardness 2340 C.APHA Standard Methods
Total Nitrogen (as N)	= 6.46	= 4.06			Grab	0.2	HACH 8039 & 8507, APHA 4500D
Nitrite (as N)	= 0.033	= 0.021			Grab	0.002	HACH Method 8507
Nitrate (as N)	= 2.6	= 1.8			Grab	0.2	HACH Method 8039
Total Phosphorous (as P)	= 0.07	= 0.06			Grab	0.02	4500-P B Persulphate digestion followed by 4500 P E
OrthoPhosphate (as P)	< 0.02	< 0.02			Grab	0.02	4500 P E Ascorbic acid method
Sulphate (SO <sub>4</sub> )	= 46.84	= 50.87			Grab	0.2	HACH Method 8051
Phenols (Sum)	< 10	= 30			Grab	10	HPLC

For Orthophosphate: this monitoring should be undertaken on a sample filtered on 0.45m filter paper

For Phenols: USEPA Method 604, AWWA Standard Method 6240, or equivalent.

TABLE F.1(i)(b): SURFACE/GROUND WATER MONITORING (Dangerous Substances)

## Primary Discharge Point

Discharge Point Code:	SW-1
MONITORING POINT CODE:	aSW-1d
Grid Ref (12 digits, 6E, 6N)	272512 / 263247 (Verified using GPS)

Parameter	Results (µg/l)				Sampling method	Limit of Quantitation	Analysis method / technique
	19/08/08	20/08/08					
Atrazine	< 1	< 1			Grab	1	GC MS
Dichloromethane	< 1	< 1			Grab	1	GCMS Modified US EPA 8260
Simazine	< 1	< 1			Grab	1	GC MS
Toluene	< 1	< 1			Grab	1	GCMS Modified US EPA 8260
Tributyltin	< 0.02	< 0.02			Grab	0.02	GC MS
Xylenes	< 1	< 1			Grab	1	GCMS Modified US EPA 8260
Arsenic	< 1	< 1			Grab	1	IHM determination by ICPMS
Chromium	= 1	= 4			Grab	1	IHM determination by ICPMS
Copper	= 1	= 2			Grab	1	IHM determination by ICPMS
Cyanide	< 50	< 50			Grab	50	Acide Distillation / Spectrophotometric
Flouride	= 172	= 178			Grab	20	4500- F C Ion Selective Electrode APHA
Lead	= 1	= 2			Grab	1	IHM determination by ICPMS
Nickel	= 4	= 4			Grab	1	IHM determination by ICPMS
Zinc	= 7	= 13			Grab	1	IHM determination by ICPMS
Boron	< 20	< 30			Grab	10	IHM determination by ICPOES
Cadmium	< 0.1	< 0.1			Grab	0.1	IHM determination by ICPMS
Mercury	< 0.1	< 0.1			Grab	0.1	IHM determination by ICPMS
Selenium	= 2	= 2			Grab	1	IHM determination by ICPMS
Barium	= 130	= 140			Grab	10	IHM determination by ICPOES

TABLE F.1(i)(a): SURFACE/GROUND WATER MONITORING

## Primary Discharge Point

Discharge Point Code:	SW-1
MONITORING POINT CODE:	aSW-1u
Grid Ref (12 digits, 6E, 6N)	271818 / 264149 (Verified using GPS)

Parameter	Results (mg/l)				Sampling method	Limit of Quantitation	Analysis method / technique
	19/08/08	20/08/08					
pH	= 7.5	= 7.6			Grab	14	pH-4500 H" Electrochemical
Temperature	= 9.5	= 9.5			Grab		Temperature APHA
Electrical Conductivity (@ 25°C)	= 570	= 650			Grab	200	Conductivity 2510 B (APHA)
Suspended Solids	= 4	= 24			Grab	2	2540 D Total Suspended Solids
Ammonia (as N)	= 0.084	= 0.05			Grab	0.02	Ammonia 4500 ISE
Biochemical Oxygen Demand	< 2	< 2			Grab	2	5210 B (BOD5)
Chemical Oxygen Demand	= 26	= 12			Grab	2	HACH Method 8507
Dissolved Oxygen	= 10.94	= 11.24			Grab	20	4500-02 Dissolved Oxygen Membrane Electrode
Hardness (as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	= 310	= 358			Grab	20	Hardness 2340 C.APHA Standard Methods
Total Nitrogen (as N)	= 6.48	= 3.98			Grab	0.2	HACH 8039 & 8507, APHA 4500D
Nitrite (as N)	= 0.016	= 0.01			Grab	0.002	HACH Method 8507
Nitrate (as N)	= 1.8	= 2.6			Grab	0.2	HACH Method 8039
Total Phosphorous (as P)	= 0.07	= 0.03			Grab	0.02	4500-P B Persulphate digestion followed by 4500 P E
OrthoPhosphate (as P)	< 0.02	< 0.02			Grab	0.02	4500 P E Ascorbic acid method
Sulphate (SO <sub>4</sub> )	= 47.61	= 55			Grab	0.2	HACH Method 8051
Phenols (Sum)	< 10	= 30			Grab	10	HPLC

For Orthophosphate: this monitoring should be undertaken on a sample filtered on 0.45m filter paper

For Phenols: USEPA Method 604, AWWA Standard Method 6240, or equivalent.

TABLE F.1(i)(b): SURFACE/GROUND WATER MONITORING (Dangerous Substances)

## Primary Discharge Point

Discharge Point Code:	SW-1
MONITORING POINT CODE:	aSW-1u
Grid Ref (12 digits, 6E, 6N)	271818 / 264149 (Verified using GPS)

Parameter	Results (µg/l)				Sampling method	Limit of Quantitation	Analysis method / technique
	19/08/08	20/08/08					
Atrazine	< 1	< 1			Grab	1	GC MS
Dichloromethane	< 1	< 1			Grab	1	GCMS Modified US EPA 8260
Simazine	< 1	< 1			Grab	1	GC MS
Toluene	< 1	< 1			Grab	1	GCMS Modified US EPA 8260
Tributyltin	< 0.02	< 0.02			Grab	0.02	GC MS
Xylenes	< 1	< 1			Grab	1	GCMS Modified US EPA 8260
Arsenic	< 1	< 1			Grab	1	IHM determination by ICPMS
Chromium	= 3	= 3			Grab	1	IHM determination by ICPMS
Copper	= 5	= 2			Grab	1	IHM determination by ICPMS
Cyanide	< 50	< 50			Grab	50	Acide Distillation / Spectrophotometric
Flouride	= 175	= 182			Grab	20	4500- F C Ion Selective Electrode APHA
Lead	= 2	= 3			Grab	1	IHM determination by ICPMS
Nickel	= 4	= 5			Grab	1	IHM determination by ICPMS
Zinc	= 40	= 20			Grab	1	IHM determination by ICPMS
Boron	= 40	< 20			Grab	10	IHM determination by ICPOES
Cadmium	= 2	< 0.1			Grab	0.1	IHM determination by ICPMS
Mercury	< 0.1	< 0.1			Grab	0.1	IHM determination by ICPMS
Selenium	= 2	= 140			Grab	1	IHM determination by ICPMS
Barium	= 120				Grab	10	IHM determination by ICPOES

### Annex 2: Check List For Regulation 16 Compliance

Regulation 16 of the waste water discharge (Authorisation) Regulations 2007 (S.I. No. 684 of 2007) sets out the information which must, in all cases, accompany a discharge licence application. In order to ensure that the application fully complies with the legal requirements of regulation 16 of the 2007 Regulations, all applicants should complete the following.

In each case, refer to the attachment number(s), of your application which contains(s) the information requested in the appropriate sub-article.

<b>Regulation 16(1)</b> <b>In the case of an application for a waste water discharge licence, the application shall -</b>		<b>Attachment Number</b>	<b>Checked by Applicant</b>
(a)	give the name, address, telefax number (if any) and telephone number of the applicant (and, if different, of the operator of any treatment plant concerned) and the address to which correspondence relating to the application should be sent and, if the operator is a body corporate, the address of its registered office or principal office,	B.1	Yes
(b)	give the name of the water services authority in whose functional area the relevant waste water discharge takes place or is to take place, if different from that of the applicant,	Not Applicable	Yes
(c)	give the location or postal address (including where appropriate, the name of the townland or townlands) and the National Grid reference of the location of the waste water treatment plant and/or the waste water discharge point or points to which the application relates,	B.2	Yes
(d)	state the population equivalent of the agglomeration to which the application relates,	B.9	Yes
(e)	specify the content and extent of the waste water discharge, the level of treatment provided, if any, and the flow and type of discharge,	A.1, B.3, B.5, F.1, C.1	Yes
(f)	give details of the receiving water body, including its protected area status, if any, and details of any sensitive areas or protected areas or both in the vicinity of the discharge point or points likely to be affected by the discharge concerned, and for discharges to ground provide details of groundwater protection schemes in place for the receiving water body and all associated hydrogeological and geological assessments related to the receiving water environment in the vicinity of the discharge.	A.1, F.1	Yes
(g)	identify monitoring and sampling points and indicate proposed arrangements for the monitoring of discharges and, if Regulation 17 does not apply, provide details of the likely environmental consequences of any such discharges,	A.1, E.1, E.2, E.3, F.1	Yes
(h)	in the case of an existing waste water treatment plant, specify the sampling data pertaining to the discharge based on the samples taken in the 12 months preceding the making of the application,	E.4	Yes
(i)	describe the existing or proposed measures, including emergency procedures, to prevent unintended waste water discharges and to minimise the impact on the environment of any such discharges,	A.1, C.1	Yes
(j)	give particulars of the nearest downstream drinking water abstraction point or points to the discharge point or points,	F.1, F.2	Yes
(k)	give details, and an assessment of the effects, of any existing or proposed emissions on the environment, including any environmental medium other than those into which the emissions are, or are to be made, and of proposed measures to prevent or eliminate or, where that is not practicable, to limit any pollution caused in such discharges,	F.1	Yes
(l)	give detail of compliance with relevant monitoring requirements and treatment standards contained in any applicable Council Directives of Regulations,	A.1, E.4, G.1	Yes
(m)	give details of any work necessary to meet relevant effluent discharge standards and a timeframe and schedule for such work.	A.1	Yes
(n)	Any other information as may be stipulated by the Agency.	Not Applicable	Yes
<b>Regulation 16(3)</b> <b>Without prejudice to Regulation 16 (1) and (2), an application for a licence shall be accompanied by -</b>		<b>Attachment Number</b>	<b>Checked by Applicant</b>
(a)	a copy of the notice of intention to make an application given pursuant to Regulation 9,	B.8	Yes
(b)	where appropriate, a copy of the notice given to a relevant water services authority under Regulation 13,	Not Applicable	Yes
(c)	Such other particulars, drawings, maps, reports and supporting documentation as are necessary to identify and describe, as appropriate -		No
(c) (i)	the point or points, including storm water overflows, from which a discharge or discharges take place or are to take place, and	B.3, D.2	Yes
(c) (ii)	the point or points at which monitoring and sampling are undertaken or are to be undertaken,	B.2, E.3	Yes
(d)	such fee as is appropriate having regard to the provisions of Regulations 38 and 39.	B.9	Yes



Regulation 16(4) An original application shall be accompanied by 2 copies of it and of all accompanying documents and particulars as required under Regulation 16(3) in hardcopy or in an electronic or other format as specified by the Agency.		Attachment Number	Checked by Applicant
1	An Original Application shall be accompanied by 2 copies of it and of all accompanying documents and particulars as required under regulation 16(3) in hardcopy or in electronic or other format as specified by the agency.		Yes
Regulation 16(5) For the purpose of paragraph (4), all or part of the 2 copies of the said application and associated documents and particulars may, with the agreement of the Agency, be submitted in an electronic or other format specified by the Agency.		Attachment Number	Checked by Applicant
1	Signed original.		Yes
2	2 hardcopies of application provided or 2 CD versions of application (PDF files) provided.		Yes
3	1 CD of geo-referenced digital files provided.		Yes
Regulation 17 Where a treatment plant associated with the relevant waste water works is or has been subject to the European Communities (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 1989 to 2001, in addition to compliance with the requirements of Regulation 16, an application in respect of the relevant discharge shall be accompanied by a copy of an environmental impact statement and approval in accordance with the Act of 2000 in respect of the said development and may be submitted in an electronic or other format specified by the Agency		Attachment Number	Checked by Applicant
1	EIA provided if applicable	Not Applicable	No
2	2 hardcopies of EIS provided if applicable.	Not Applicable	No
3	2 CD versions of EIS, as PDF files, provided.	Not Applicable	No

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