Appendix C: Declaration and Authorisation

Declaration

I confirm that I have read the EPA Terms and Conditions and the requirements outlined in the Call document.

I declare that the information I have provided in this application is complete and accurate.

I agree that the Environmental Protection Agency may make any enquiries it considers necessary to verify the information therein and consent to the release by other people or organisations of such information as may be necessary for that purpose.

I note that applicants may be disqualified from consideration for funding if false or misleading information is provided and/or the application is not specific to this Call document.

I confirm that I have read and accepted the EPA Privacy Policy and Terms of Use of EPA Websites.

I hereby agree to comply fully with the requirements of the Confidentiality and Conflict of Interest Statement as outlined below.

I confirm that if any aspect of this research proposal requires ethical approval that written evidence of such ethical approval will be submitted to the EPA before that aspect of the research commences.

HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS SHOULD CONFIRM:

1) I confirm that my host organisation and any partner organisations has/have attained the Athena Swan Bronze Institutional award on gender issues or that it is / they are committed to attaining the award by a specified date.
2) I confirm that my host organisation and any partner organisations will adhere to the commitments of the National Policy Statement on Ensuring Research Integrity in Ireland and will abide by the Guidelines included in the European Code of Conduct for Research Integrity, as applicable.

I Agree:

Signature:

Name of Applicant

Date:
Authorisation

This section must be signed/authorised by an appropriate person within the host organisation.

It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that this authorisation is included in completed submission

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I confirm that I am the appropriate person to authorise / decline the submission of this proposal:

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As the Authorised Person, I (please mark the appropriate box):

☐ Authorise this submission:
Confidentiality Statement

Your attention is drawn to Sections 39 and 40 of the Environmental Protection Agency Act, 1992 which state that persons shall not disclose any information obtained by that person while performing duties as a member of any board, committee or other body established under that Act, or as a member of the staff of, or advisor or consultant to the Environmental Protection Agency, or as a person whose services are availed of by, or supplied to the Environmental Protection Agency unless he/she is duly authorised to do so. In addition to the penalties listed in the Act for contravention of these provisions, any such disclosure may be deemed to be misconduct.

You must strictly preserve the confidentiality of any information, coming to your knowledge relating to the affairs of any company dealing with the Environmental Protection Agency and may not make use of any such information for the purpose of any dealing (direct or indirect) in shares, property or otherwise.

Your attention is drawn to the provisions of the Data Protection Acts 1988 and 2003 and Directive 95/46/EC, and any other applicable law or regulation relating to the processing of personal data and to privacy (including the E-Privacy Directive and the European Communities (Electronic Communications Networks and Services) (Privacy and Electronic Communications) Regulations 2011 (“E-Privacy Regulations”), as such legislation shall be amended, revised or replaced from time to time, including by operation of the General Data Protection Regulation (EU) 2016/679 (“GDPR”) (and laws implementing or supplementing the GDPR, and laws amending or supplementing the E-Privacy Regulations). (collectively referred to herein as the “Data Protection Legislation”).

You will note that you must keep confidential all information which comes to your knowledge in connection with your involvement with the Environmental Protection Agency. “Confidential Information”, for these purposes, shall include any information which is labelled as confidential or else which should reasonably be considered confidential because of its nature and the manner of its disclosure to you and/or your organisation. You will note that this Confidential Information includes any “Personal Data”, as that term is defined in the Data Protection Legislation. You shall keep any such Confidential Information confidential and shall not use any such Confidential Information except for the business purpose for which you are engaged with the Environmental Protection Agency. You will note that you must not disclose any such confidential information to any third party except as expressly permitted in writing to do so by the Environmental Protection Agency, and in those circumstances, only pursuant to the business purpose for which you are involved with the Environmental Protection Agency. You will note that yours, and your organisation’s obligations as set out above shall continue to apply after the termination of yours and/or your organisation’s engagement with the Environmental Protection Agency.

I hereby agree to comply fully with the requirements of Sections 39 and 40 of the EPA Act 1992. I confirm that I am aware of my obligations and my organisation’s obligation under the Data Protection Legislation. I agree that I will comply with the provisions of the Data Protection Legislation.
Conflict of Interest Statement
You must declare any actual, apparent or potential conflict of interest of which you are currently aware in relation to your involvement with projects funded by the EPA.

A conflict of interest includes any factor or relationship which could affect your ability to undertake tasks related to your role as researcher as specified and for the benefit of the EPA, whether arising through personal interest, current or prospective contractual obligations or any other activity or association.

If you believe your involvement in this research proposal and/or projects funded by the EPA could create either a direct or indirect conflict of interest, please contact climate@epa.ie

I confirm I am unaware of an actual, apparent or potential conflict of interest with regard to my involvement in this research proposal and/or projects funded by the EPA.

I undertake to make a further declaration detailing any actual, apparent or potential conflict of interest if such a situation arises in future.