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27th April 2026

Dear ██████████,

The Environmental Information Regulations (EIRs) 2004

With regard to your *request for information received by the Department* on the 26th February 2026, which sought the following information:

EIR Information Requested:

Good afternoon,

I was wondering if you might be able to provide information on the following points in relation to Bluesky Resource Recovery Ltd operating at the Lisbane Landfill site on the Aughlish Road, Tandragee.

I would kindly ask:

- **How many times in the last five years has enforcement action been taken against Bluesky Resource Recovery Ltd by NIEA?**
- **Has enforcement action been taken for matters including mishandling of waste or illegal waste management? If so, how many times has this action been taken?**
- **Has asbestos ever been discovered at the site?**
- **Has all enforcement action been concluded to the satisfaction of NIEA?**

If you are deaf or have a hearing difficulty you can contact the Department via the Next Generation Text Relay Service by dialling 18001 + telephone number.

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- **Has NIEA ever attempted to prosecute Bluesky Resource Recovery Ltd?**
- **Is the current PPC Permit as held by Bluesky Resource Recovery Ltd for this site currently valid without restrictions?**

Kind regards

Kellie

I can advise that the Department has completed its search and can confirm that it holds some of the information you have requested. However, due to ongoing enforcement action relating Lisbane Landfill/Bluesky therefore Regulation 12 (5) (b) is applied.

Is it noted that you also queried asbestos being present on the site, the Lisbane landfill has a closed asbestos cell. The Lisbane landfill stopped accepting waste in June 2013.

If you require any clarification, believe any part of your request has been overlooked, misunderstood or misinterpreted, please contact, NIEAwastecomplaint@daera-ni.gov.uk in the first instance to see if it is a matter that can be resolved.

If you are unhappy with the manner in which your request for information has been handled or the decision to release/withhold information, you have the right to request a formal review by the Department.

If you wish to do so, please contact The Review Section either by e-mailing daera.informationmanager@daera-ni.gov.uk or by post at The Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs, Data Protection & Information Management Branch, Floor 2, Jubilee House, 111 Ballykelly Road, Ballykelly, Limavady BT49 9HP, within two months from the date of this letter.

If after such an internal review you are still unhappy with the response, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner at Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, CHESHIRE, SK9 5AF, who will undertake an independent review of the Department's decision.

Yours sincerely,

Waste Permitting Team

APPENDIX A

Public Interest Test – Environmental Information Regulations

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Exemption / Exceptions under consideration

Regulation 12 (5) (b), ongoing enforcement.

Reasons why the public interest would favour disclosure:

- The Department is committed to conducting its business in a manner that is as open and as transparent as possible.**

Reasons why the public interest would favour withholding:

- This request for information may harm any future enforcement the Department may take against the operator, this could be seen as prejudice to investigation.**

Conclusion

Following consideration of the Public Interest Test, the Department has decided that it would not be in the public interest to fulfil the request made by the requestor.

Waste Permitting Team