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## Notification of Non-Compliance NC01/S0011-02

Dear Mr. Sweeney,

I refer to your correspondence dated 07/09/2016 in respect of Dumping at Sea permit register number S0011-02. I am writing to inform you that the following have been identified as non-compliances with the requirements of the permit:

- Non-compliance with Condition 2.5. Donegal County Council failed to notify the Agency prior to the commencement of dumping operations in 2015.
- Non-compliance with Condition 6.7. Donegal County Council failed to submit to the Agency by the 31<sup>st</sup> March 2016 the Annual Environmental Report (AER) for 2015. To date, the AER for 2015 has not been submitted to the Agency.

## **Corrective Action Required**

- 1. Submit the AER for 2015 to the Agency within 10 working days of the date of this notification.
- 2. Record the non-compliances identified above as incidents in accordance with Condition 6.4.
- 3. Provide a report on the matter to the Agency within 10 working days of the date of this notification in relation to :
  - a) Identification and the putting in place of measures to avoid recurrence of the non-compliances identified above.
  - b) Identification and the putting in place of any other appropriate remedial actions.

The Agency is extremely concerned at the level of non-compliance with this permit.

You are reminded that the responsibility for compliance with the conditions of the permit rests with Donegal County Council as the permit holder.

You should be aware that failure to comply with the conditions of a permit is an offence under the Dumping at Sea Act 1996 as amended. The Agency may consider further enforcement action as it considers appropriate.

Please quote the above reference in future correspondence in relation to this matter. If you have any queries please contact the undersigned.

Yours sincerely,

Pól Ó Seasnáin, Inspector

Office of Environmental Enforcement