**Air Pollution Licence – Guidance Notes**

* Applications for an Air Pollution Licence should only be prepared by suitably qualified persons who have experience in this area. Persons who may be suitably qualified include Environmental Scientists and most Multi-Disciplinary Environmental / Engineering Consultancies. You should satisfy yourself as to the qualifications and experience of your agent prior to final agreement. This may save time and money in the long term.
* The application form should be completed in full. In most cases all questions are applicable – however if it is felt than any particular part of the form is not, it should be filled in as ‘*n/a’* accompanied by a note explaining why it is not applicable. The completed form should also refer to accompanying reports, technical documents and associated plans and particulars.
* The application should be accompanied by a site location plan and a detailed site layout plan at a scale of 1:2,500 and where necessary further detailed plans at a scale of 1:1,000.
* Prior to lodging the application, the applicant shall publish in a newspaper circulating in Kilkenny a notice of intention to apply for a licence. The notice shall contain, as a heading, the words **“Air Pollution Act, 1987 – Licensing of Industrial Plant”**, and shall –

1. state the name of the applicant and the name of the local authority to which the application is being made i.e. Kilkenny County Council;
2. state the nature and location of the industrial plant in relation to which the application is being made;
3. give a general description of the industrial process and of the emissions made, or to be made, from the plant.

The licence application must then be submitted within 2 weeks of the publication of the newspaper notice.

The following is the approved list of newspapers within which notices can be published for discharges in the functional area of Kilkenny County Council:

**Irish Independent for the entire functional area**

**Irish Times for the entire functional area**

**Kilkenny People for the entire functional area**

**Munster Express for Thomastown and for that part of Kilkenny south of Thomastown**

Irish Examiner for Kilkenny City Environs and those parts of the functional area south of Kilkenny City Environs

Irish News of the World for the entire functional area

Irish Sun for the entire functional area

Please submit 1 full original page containing the newspaper notice and 1 copy with your application

* The application should be accompanied by a detailed impact assessment to identify and mitigate any potential impact of the emission. The assessment should include the results of ambient air quality monitoring in the vicinity of the proposed emission. The assessment should also include results of air dispersion modelling (modelled under worst case conditions with respect to nearby receptors and maximum emission rates) and identify ground level concentrations of potential pollutants and particulates at all nearby sensitive receptors.
* 3 copies of the application form, drawings, plans and other documents should be submitted.
* The application should be accompanied by the application fee (€126)