Annual Environmental Report

2018



Tarbert

D0283-01

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1 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY AND INTRODUCTION TO THE 2018 AER

This Annual Environmental Report has been prepared for D0283-01, Tarbert, in Kerry in accordance with the requirements of the wastewater discharge licence for the agglomeration. Specified reports where relevant are included as an appendix to the AER.

1.1 TREATMENT SUMMARY

The agglomeration is served by a wastewater treatment plant(s)

• TARBERT WWTP (NEW) with a Plant Capacity PE of 1300

The treatment process includes the following:

1.1.1 TARBERT WWTP (NEW)

Treatment type	Yes / No	Details
Preliminary Treatment	Yes	Prelimenary screening
Primary Treatment	No	
Secondary Treatment	Yes	SBR
Nutrient Removal	No	
Tertiary Treatment	No	

1.2 ELV OVERVIEW

The overall compliance of the final effluent with the Emission Limit Values (ELVs) is shown below. More detailed information on the below ELV's can be found in Section 2.

Discharge Point Reference	Treatment Plant	Discharge Type	Compliance Status	Parameters failing if relevant
TPEFF1300D0283SW001	TARBERT WWTP (NEW)	Treated	Compliant	Not Applicable

1.3 LICENCE SPECIFIC REPORTING INCLUDED IN AER

Assessment / Report	Included in AER
There is no Licence Specific Reports included in the AER.	

2 TREATMENT PLANT PERFORMAND AND IMPACT SUMMARY

2.1 TARBERT WWTP (NEW) - TREATED DISCHARGE

2.1.1 INFLUENT MONITORING SUMMARY - TARBERT WWTP (NEW)

A summary of influent monitoring for the treatment plant is presented below. This monitoring is primarily undertaken in order to determine the overall efficiency of the plant in removing pollutants from the raw wastewater.

Parameters	Number of Samples	Annual Max	Annual Mean
Suspended Solids mg/l	6	174	83.8
BOD, 5 days with Inhibition (Carbonaceous BOD) mg/l	6	174	81.55
COD-Cr mg/l	6	472	213.54
Hydraulic Capacity	N/A	810	351

Significance of Results:

The annual mean hydraulic loading is less than the peak Treatment Plant Capacity. The annual maximum hydraulic loading is less than the peak Treatment Plant Capacity. Further details on the plant capacity and efficiency can be found under the sectional 'Operational Performance Summary'. The design of the wastewater treatment plant allows for peak values and therefore the peak loads have not impacted on compliance with Emission Limit Values.

2.1.2 EFFLUENT MONITORING SUMMARY - TPEFF1300D0283SW001

Parameter	WWDL ELV (Schedule A)	ELV with Condition 2 Interpretation included Note 1	Interim % reduction from influent concentration	Number of sample results	Number of exceedances	Number of with Condition 2 Interpretation included	Annual Mean	Overall Compliance (Pass/Fail)
COD-Cr mg/l	N/A	N/A	N/A	6	N/A	N/A	54.06	N/A
Visual Inspection Descriptive	N/A	N/A	N/A	6	N/A	N/A	0	N/A
BOD, 5 days with Inhibition (Carbonaceous BOD) mg/l	N/A	N/A	N/A	6	N/A	N/A	3.98	N/A
ortho-Phosphate (as P) - unspecified mg/l	N/A	N/A	N/A	6	N/A	N/A	1.52	N/A
Conductivity 20 C μS/cm	N/A	N/A	N/A	6	N/A	N/A	3392.37	N/A
pH pH units	N/A	N/A	N/A	6	N/A	N/A	7.53	N/A
Suspended Solids mg/l	N/A	N/A	N/A	6	N/A	N/A	8.15	N/A

Cause of Exceedance(s):

Not Applicable.

Note the ELVs for SW003 will come in to effect on 31st December 2019. It is of note that the effluent monitoring carried out in 2018 show the effluent to be in compliance with the future ELVs.

2.1.3 AMBIENT MONITORING SUMMARY FOR THE TREATMENT PLANT DISCHARGE

A summary of monitoring from ambient monitoring points associated with the wastewater discharge is provided in the sections below. For discharges to rivers upstream (U/S) and downstream (D/S) location data is provided. For other ambient points in lakes, coastal or transitional waters, monitoring data from the most appropriate monitoring station is selected.

The table below provides details of ambient monitoring locations and details of any designations as sensitive areas.

Ambient Monitoring Point from WWDL (or as agreed with EPA)	Irish Grid Reference	Code	Bathing Water	Drinking Water	FWPM	Shellfish	WFD Status
Upstream	107821, 151031	TPEFF1300D0283SW001	No	No	No	No	Moderate

The results for ambient results and / or additional monitoring data sets are included in the Appendix 7.1

Significance of Results:

The WWTP discharge was compliant with the ELV's set in the wastewater discharge licence.

The ambient monitoring results meet the required EQS.

The discharge from the wastewater treatment plant does not have an observable impact on the water quality.

The discharge from the wastewater treatment plant does not have an observable negative impact on the Water Framework Directive status.

2.1.4 OPERATIONAL PERFORMANCE SUMMARY

2.1.4.1 Treatment Efficiency Report

Treatment efficiency is based on the removal of key pollutants from the influent wastewater by the treatment plant. In essence the calculation is based on the balance of load coming into the plant versus the load leaving the plant. The efficiency is presented as a percentage removal rate.

A summary presentation of the efficiency of the treatment process including information for all the parameters specified in the licence is included below:

Parameter	Influent mass loading (kg/year)	Effluent mass emission (kg/year)	Efficiency (% reduction of influent load)	Comment
ss	13,290.38	1292.4	90.28	
COD	33,866.10	8573.42	74.68	
cBOD	12,933.84	631.01	95.12	

Note: The above data is based on sample results for the number of dates reported

2.1.4.2 Treatment Capacity Report Summary

Treatment capacity is an assessment of the hydraulic (flow) and organic (the amount of pollutants) load a treatment plant is designed to treat versus the current loading of that plant.

TARBERT WWTP (NEW)	
Peak Hydraulic Capacity (m3/day) - As Constructed	879
DWF to the Treatment Plant (m3/day)	293
Current Hydraulic Loading - annual max (m3/day)	810
Average Hydraulic loading to the Treatment Plant (m3/day)	351
Organic Capacity (PE) - As Constructed	1300
Organic Capacity (PE) - Collected Load (peak week)	941
Organic Capacity (PE) - Remaining	359
Will the capacity be exceeded in the next three years? (Yes/No)	No

2.1.5 SLUDGE / OTHER INPUTS

'Other inputs' to the waste water treatment plant are summarised in table below

Input type	Quantity	Unit	P.E.	% of load to WWTP	Included in Influent Monitoring (Y/N)?	Is there a leachate/sludge acceptance procedure for the WWTP?	Is there a dedicated leachate/sludge acceptance facility for the WWTP? (Y/N)	
There is	There is no Sludge and Other Input data for the Treatment Plant included in the AER.							

2.1.6 SLUDGE REMOVAL

The amount of sludge removed from the wastewater treatment plant is shown below along with the transported destination of the sludge from the treatment plant.

Treatment Plant	Sludge type	Quantity	Unit	% Dry Solids	Destination
TARBERT WWTP (NEW)	Liquid Sludge	312.48	Volume (m3)	2	ENVA

3 COMPLAINTS AND INCIDENTS

3.1 COMPLAINTS SUMMARY

A summary of complaints of an environmental nature is included below.

Number of Complaints	Nature of Complaint	Number Open Complaints	Number Closed Complaints
5	Blocked Sewer	0	5

3.2 REPORTED INCIDENTS SUMMARY

Environmental incidents that arise in an agglomeration are reported on an on-going basis in accordance with our waste water discharge licences. Where an incident occurs and it is reportable under the licence, it is reported to the Environmental Protection Agency through their Environmental Data Exchange Network, or in some instances by telephone. Some incidents which arise in the agglomeration are recorded by Irish Water but may not be reportable under our licence for example where the incident does not have an impact on environmental performance.

A summary of reported incidents is included below.

3.2.1 SUMMARY OF INCIDENTS

Incident Type	Cause	No. of incident occurrences	Recurring (Y/N)	Closed (Y/N)
There is no Incident data included in the AER.				

3.2.2 SUMMARY OF OVERALL INCIDENTS

Question	Answer
Number of Incidents in 2018	0
Number of Incidents reported to the EPA via EDEN in 2018	0
Explanation of any discrepancies between the two numbers above	

4 INFRASTRUCTURAL ASSESSMENTS AND PROGRAMME OF IMPROVEMENTS

4.1 STORM WATER OVERFLOW IDENTIFICATION AND INSPECTION REPORT

A summary of the operation of the storm water overflows and their significance where known is included below:

4.1.1 SWO IDENTIFICATION

WWDL Name / Code for Storm Water Overflow	Irish Grid Ref.	Included in Schedule A4 of the WWDL	Significance of the overflow(High / Medium / Low) Assessed against DoEHLG Criteria		No. of times activated in 2018 (No. of events)	Total volume discharged in 2018 (m3)	Monitoring Status
SW2	106990.15, 147740.25	No	Medium	Meeting	Unknown	Unknown	Not Monitored
SW3	106965.24, 147798.57	No	Medium	Meeting	Unknown	Unknown	Not Monitored
SW4	107068.69, 147589.03	Yes	Medium	Meeting	Unknown	Unknown	Not Monitored

SWO Summary	
How much sewage was discharged via SWOs in the agglomeration in the year (m3)?	Unknown
Is each SWO identified as not meeting DoEHLG Guidance included in the Programme of Improvements?	No
The SWO Assessment included the requirements of relevant of WWDL schedules?	Yes

4.2 REPORT ON PROGRESS MADE AND PROPOSALS BEING DEVELOPED TO MEET THE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME REQUIREMENTS.

4.2.1 SPECIFIED IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME SUMMARY

A wastewater discharge licence may require a number of reports on specific subject areas to be prepared for the agglomeration in question. These reports are submitted to the EPA as part of the Annual Environmental Report. This section provides list of the various reports required for this agglomeration and a brief summary of their recommendations.

Specified Improvement Programmes (under Schedule A and C of WWDL)	Description	Licence Schedule	Licence Completion Date	Date Expired? (N/NA/Y)	Status of Works	Timeframe for Completing the Work	Comments
D0283-SIP:01	Any improvement works required to ensure compliance with the emission limit values as set out in Schedule A: Discharges & Discharge Monitoring	С	31/12/2019	No	Works Completed		
D0283-SIP:02	Primary Discharge Point (SW001) to be discontinued.	С	31/12/2019	No	Works Completed		
D0283-SIP:03	Secondary Discharge Point (SW002) to be discontinued	С	31/12/2019	No	Works Completed		

A summary of the status of any improvements identified by under Condition 5.2 is included below.

4.2.2 IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME SUMMARY

Improvement Identifier	Improvement Description	Improvement Source	Expected Completion Date	Comments
There are no Improvements Pr	ogramme for this Agglomeration.			

4.2.3 SEWER INTEGRITY RISK ASSESSMENT

The utilisation of multiple capital maintenance programmes and the outputs of the workshops with the Local Authority Operations Staff held under the programme can be used to satisfy the requirements of Condition 5 regarding network integrity. Improvement works identified by way of these programmes and workshops will be included in the Improvements Summary Table.

5 LICENCE SPECIFIC REPORTS

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5.a Licence Specific Reports Summary Table

Licence Specific Report Required by licence		Year included in AER	Included in this AER	Reference to relevant section of AER				
There is no Licence Specific	c Report Required in this	AER Annual Review.						

6 CERTIFICATION AND SIGN OFF

6.1 SUMMARY OF AER CONTENTS

Parameter	Answer
Does the AER include an Executive Summary?	Yes
Does the AER include an assessment of the performance of the Waste Water Works (i.e. have the results of assessments been interpreted against WWDL requirements and or Environmental Quality Standards)?	Yes
Is there a need to advise the EPA for consideration of a Technical Amendment / Review of the licence?	No
List reason e.g. additional SWO identified	
Is there a need to request/advise the EPA of any modifications to the existing WWDL?	No
List reason e.g. changes to monitoring requirements	
Have these processes commenced?	No
Are all outstanding reports and assessments from previous AERs included as an appendix to this AER	No

I certify that the information given in this Annual Environmental Report is truthful, accurate and complete:

Signed: Date: 29/04/2019

This AER has been produced by Irish Water's Environmental Information System (EIMS) and has been electronically signed off in that system for and on behalf of ,

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7 APPENDIX

Appendix

Appendix 7.1 - Ambient monitoring summary

						005A_TEMP_ FIELD	5A_TEMP_ 006_PH_SUB ELD		013C_BOD_SUB		025_PHOSPH ATE_SRP_SU B						ED_SOLIDS_S UB	082_VIS_INSPECTION Visual Inspection
						Temperature	pH_SUB		BOD_SUB		Phosphorus SalinitySUB (MRP) SUB		Dissolved Oxygen		Dissolved Oxygen			
		9.0	4.5 9.0 PH BOD	0 5 BOD BOD	MGL	0 0.05 <i>MGL</i>	PSU	80.0 120.0 PERCENT_SA PERCENT_SA	MGI	MGL	NONE							
Sampled Date	Sampling Point	SP EPA Code	Sample No.	Sample Type	Sample Status													
22/02/2018	Tarbert_St (West) brg In Tarbert US DISCHARGE PT	RS24T010100	2018/7254	RIVER	Authorised	7.5		8.1		2.59		0.04	0.2		100.0		3	Clear/no Odour
22/06/2018		RS24T010100	2018/7256	RIVER	Authorised	11.7		8.2		<1		0.02	0.3		108.5	12.0	<2	Clear
28/09/2018	Tarbert_St (West) brg In Tarbert US DISCHARGE PT	RS24T010100	2018/7183	RIVER	Authorised	8.7		8.1		<1		0.06			96.0	11.3	<2	clear
23/10/2018	Tarbert_St (West) brg In Tarbert_US_DISCHARGE_PT	RS24T010100	2018/7209	RIVER	Authorised	13.9		8.1		<1.0		0.05			94.2	10.0	<2	Clear-no odour
22/02/2018	Lower Shannon Estuary_TARBERT _DS_DISCHARGE_PT	TW19004123SN300	2018/7255	WW_AMBIENT	Authorised	10.9	8.0		<1.0		0.02		17.1	97.3			20	Not recorded
22/06/2018	Lower Shannon Estuary_TARBERT _DS_DISCHARGE_PT	TW19004123SN300 8	2018/7257	WW_AMBIENT	Authorised	16.2	8.0		<1		<0.01		22.9	101.4		8.9	11	Clear
28/09/2018	Lower Shannon Estuary_TARBERT _DS_DISCHARGE_PT	TW19004123SN300 8	2018/7184	WW_AMBIENT	Authorised	11.8	8.0		1.9		0.02		23.8	99.9		9.4	17	clear
23/10/2018	Lower Shannon Estuary_TARBERT _DS_DISCHARGE_PT	TW19004123SN300 8	2018/7210	WW_AMBIENT	Authorised	14.0	8.0		<1.0		0.02		22.6	95.1		8.7	7	clear-no odour