



## Atmospheric Emission Licenses



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# Issues

- Conversion of existing APPA permits
- New Atmospheric Emission Licenses
- Application fees
- Information required
- Timeframes
- Current situation

# Conversion of existing APPA permits

- Clarity required on emission limits to be met
- Limits must not be more onerous in listed emission limits
- Activities must be listed in Section 21 Notice
- Deadline September 2012

# New Atmospheric Emission Licenses

- Deadline commissioning of plant
- Condition in record of decision before commissioning
- Investment in new productive capacity requires start of payback on commissioning

# Application fees

- Fees not yet set
- License can only be issued once fees have been paid
- Understood to be a national function
- Rumours as to likely fees

# Information required

- EIA includes specialist study on impact of emissions
- Application form can be over 50 pages long
- Provision for additional information to be required
- Public participation already undertaken as part of EIA

# Current situation

- Limited progress with new licenses
- Only route for companies is application to court
- Lack of clarity on requirements

## Way forward

- Understanding of economic implications of delay
- Set fees
- Manage public participation process
- Consider ways to increase capacity