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Environment, Community and Local Government



Programme for Thursday 13th October, 2011

9.00 a.m. – 10.00 a.m.	Registration
10.00 a.m. – 10.15 a.m.	Welcome - Mr. Joe MacGrath, <i>Co. Manager, Tipperary North Co. Co., Cathaoirleach, WSTG</i>
Session 1	
Session Chairman:	Mr. Gerry Galvin, <i>Principal Adviser (Water), DEC&LG/Member, WSTG</i>
10.15 a.m. - 10.45 a.m.	Review of Response to Exceptional Severe Weather Events of 2010/11 – Drinking Water Aspects – Lessons learned Mr. Peter O'Reilly, <i>Senior Engineer, Fingal County Council/Member WSTG</i>
10.45 a.m. - 11.15 a.m.	Water Conservation/Mains Rehabilitation – Implementation 2010-2012 - Waterford City Mr. Ray Mannix, <i>Senior Engineer, Waterford City Council</i>
11.15 a.m. – 11.45 a.m.	WSIP 2007-2009 – Value for Money Review Report Ms. Nuala McLoughlin, <i>Assistant Principal, Water Services Investment, DEC&LG</i>
11.45 a.m. – 12.15 p.m.	WSIP 2010-2012 –Review 2011 Ms. Áinle Ní Bhriain, <i>Assistant Principal, Water Services Investment, DEC&LG</i>
12.15 p.m. - 12.45 p.m.	Questions and Answers
12.45 p.m. - 2.15 p.m.	Lunch
Session 2	
Session Chairman:	Mr. Mark Griffin, <i>Asst. Secretary, Water & ICT, DEC&LG</i>
2.15 p.m. - 2.30 p.m.	Minister's Address Mr. Phil Hogan, T.D., <i>Minister for the Environment, Community & Local Government</i>
2.30 p.m. – 3.15 p.m.	Irish Water - Independent Assessment – Overview of Current Provision and Options for Reform – International Models Dr. Cormac McCarthy, <i>Water Strategy & Infrastructure Consultant, PWC Independent Assessment Team</i>
3.15 p.m. - 3.45 p.m.	Questions and Answers
3.45 p.m. - 4.00 p.m.	Tea/Coffee
Session 3	
Session Chairman:	Mr. Seamus Neely, <i>Donegal County Manager/Member WSTG</i>
4.00 p.m. - 4.30 p.m.	Waste Water Treatment & Disposal Systems for Single Houses – A new authorisation regime – what will it involve? Mr. Tony Keogh, <i>Assistant Principal, Water Policy, DEC&LG</i>
4.30 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.	Water Metering & Charging – Progress Report Mr. David Kelly, <i>Assistant Principal, Water Policy, DEC&LG</i>
5.00 p.m. – 5.15 p.m.	Questions and Answers
5.15 p.m. - 5.30 p.m.	Closing Address Ms Maria Graham, <i>Principal Officer, Water Services Investment, DEC&LG</i>
5.30 p.m - 6.00 p.m.	Wine Reception. (Sponsored by IPBMI)
6.00 p.m.	Dinner