

14th April 2003

Circular L6/03 (WSP)

To each local authority

RE. NATIONAL URBAN WASTE WATER STUDY

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As you know, a consortium which includes consulting engineers EG Pettit and Company, Barry and Partners, White Young Green Ireland Ltd and Babbie Group Ltd have been involved in the National Urban Waste Water Study since October 2001. The work of the consortium is progressing and the preparation of county and/or city reports and a national report will advance to the scheduled conclusion of the Study in October 2003.

The consultants have with your assistance, completed the data collection and assessment process and are preparing the Draft Catchment Reports for waste water catchments with a population equivalent of 2000 or more. It is intended to circulate these reports to authorities' between the end of April and July 2003.

Local authorities will have a four-week period to respond to the draft reports. As some authorities will have a number of reports (ranging up to 24) to consider you are asked to ensure that the expertise needed for the comprehensive and timely consideration of these reports is available. It should be noted in this regard, that reports will issue to some authorities' over the holiday period. In the absence of a timely response it will be necessary for the consultants to treat the draft reports as the final, local authority approved version.

Local authority consideration, comments and observations are critical to the integrity of the data sets and the findings and recommendations of the county and national reports. You are reminded that the Study is central to the strategic development of urban waste water services and to achieving current and future national standards and the requirements of EU directives. The deliverables will be used as the basis for decision making both locally and nationally and make a significant contribution to determining future investment priorities.

An indicative circulation list for the issue of the "Draft Catchment Reports" is attached.

You are also advised that a detailed information circular will issue with the "Draft Catchment Reports"

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To - Each County and City Manager, Director of Services (Water Services) and Town Clerk
Copy to - GCCC, AMAI, CCMA, Ombudsman's Office and Regional Authorities.

Draft Catchment Report Submission Schedule

Date of Issue* (week ending)	County	Number of Reports
25 April 2003	Leitrim	2
	Kildare	2
	Carlow	3
	Total	7
02 May 2003	Westmeath	5
	Total	5
09 May 2003	Roscommon	5
	Kerry	9
	Tipperary NR	6
	Total	20
16 May 2003	Wicklow	7
	Waterford	3
	Tiperrary SR	6
	Total	16
23 May 2003	Sligo	4
	Laois	6
	Total	10
30 May 2003	Louth	4
	Wexford	7
	Clare	10
	Total	21
06 June 2003	Meath	8
	Offaly	4
	Cavan	5
	Total	17
13 June 2003	Longford	4
	Monaghan	5
	Galway	8
	Total	17
20 June 2003	Kilkenny	4
	Limerick	7
	Total	11
27 June 2003	Mayo	12
	Donegal	16
	Total	28
04 July 2003	Cork	24
	Grand Total	176

Note: Dates are indicative and may vary during the period April to July 2003.

