

### Waste Management (Food Waste) Regulations 2009

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### Summary of Presentation

- Background
- Overview of Regulations
- Your Obligations





### EU Landfill Directive 1999/31/EC

- Imposes a ban on landfill of certain wastes
- Certain hazardous wastes
- Liquid wastes
- Tyres
- Biodegradable waste/Organic Waste





### Issues with Bio waste to Landfill

- Greenhouse gas emissions
- Odour
- Landfill leachate
- Compliance with EU obligations –Potential fines





#### Biodegradable Waste

 Capable of undergoing aerobic or anaerobic decomposition, textiles, paper, food, green waste etc

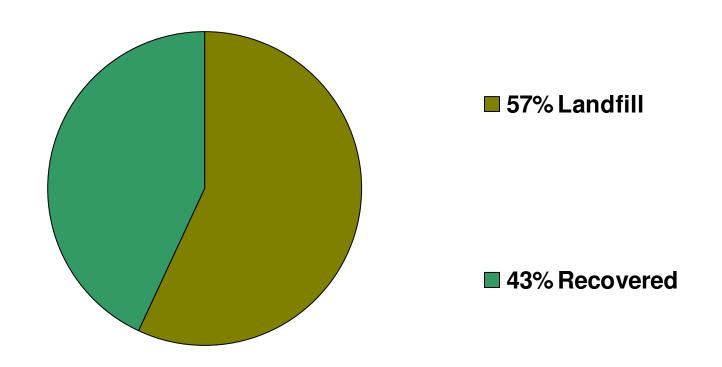
 Organic Waste – food waste & green waste







### Biodegradable Waste – 2.1M tonnes







#### Scope of the Regulations

Food Waste

Arising on the premises of the producers

Set out in Schedule 1 of the Regulations





### To Whom do the Regulations Apply?

- Hotels
- Restaurants/Cafes
- Work canteens
- Public Houses
- Guest Houses (>4bed)
- Shops/Supermarkets

- Hospitals
- Nursing Homes
- Crèches
- State Buildings with canteen
- Educational facilities with canteen
- Stations, Airports, Harbours etc





### Trade Shows, Exhibitions & Events

- Regulations apply to events as prescribed under Section 230 of the Planning & Development Act
- Organisers <u>must</u>:
  - Ensure compliance with the regulations
  - Ensure producer supplying food at the event is compliant
  - Prepare a food waste management plan prior to event
  - Prepare a food waste management implementation report after the event





#### Exception

- Premises which produce < 50kg per week</li>
  - Provisions shall apply 1 July 2011
  - Written declaration must be made to the Local Authority by 1July 2010





#### Producer Obligations

 Food waste arising on the premises must be source segregated and kept separate from all other materials

Separate dedicated bin





#### Producer Obligations

- Segregated food waste must be subjected to an authorised treatment process/facility i.e.
- Composting
- Anaerobic Digestion
- Rendering
- Pet Food
- Animal Feed supplier





#### **Authorised Facility**

- A facility that is authorised for the treatment of waste in accordance
  - Waste Management Act & Environmental Protection Act
  - Planning requirements
  - Animal By Products Regulations



# Authorised Treatment Facility Compost Facility















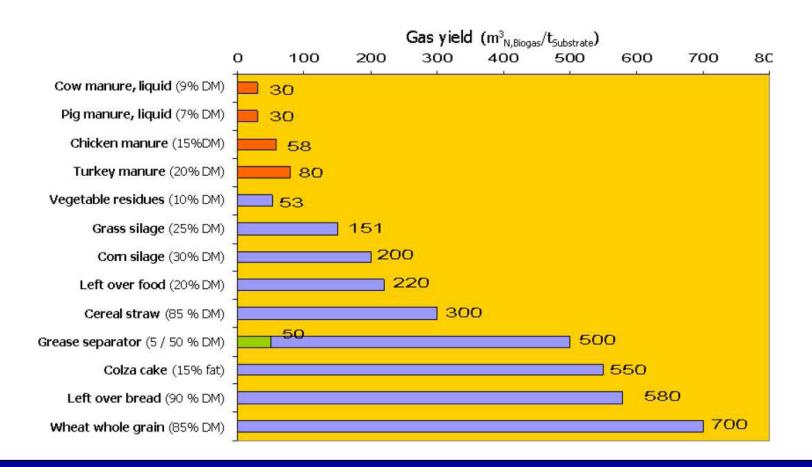
### Technology – Anaerobic Digestion







#### Gas yield

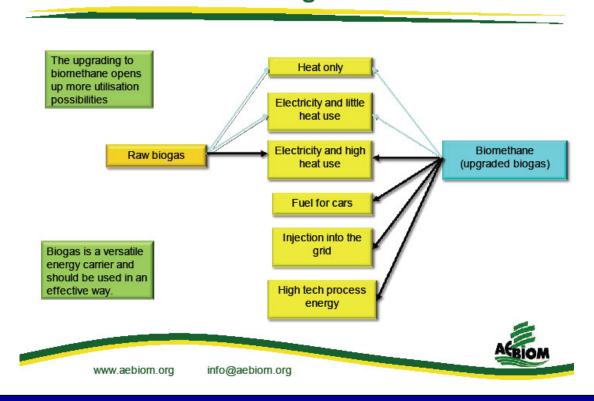






### Uses of biogas

#### Effective use of biogas







# Producer Obligations Option 1

- Segregated food waste collected by an authorised waste collector and transferred to an authorised treatment facility
- Collector is not obliged to collect food waste where food waste has not been segregated in accordance with the Regulations
- Waste collector required to inform LA of persons refusing to avail of source segregated waste collection service (annually)





# Producer Obligations Option 2

- Food waste transferred directly by the producer to an authorised treatment facility
- Authorised to accept food waste
  - EPA Licence or LA Waste Permit
  - Licence from Department of Agriculture to treat food waste





# Producer Obligations Option 3

- On site treatment of food waste e.g. appropriate in-vessel compost unit.
- Obtain waste authorisation in accordance with Waste Management (Facility Permit and Certificate of Registration) Regulations, 2007





### On Site Compost Units











#### Use of Macerators

- The use of a macerator is NOT
   permitted where a separate food waste
   collection service is available
- In any case, the use of a macerator is NOT permitted unless in accordance with a Trade Effluent Discharge Licence under the Local Government (Water Pollution) Act, 1977









# Who Will Enforce the Regulations?

- South Tipperary County Council <u>may</u> require:
  - A food waste management implementation report once a year
  - Annual Environmental Report for the previous calendar year





### Facilities & Collectors in South Tipperary

- 2 Compost facilities in South Tipperary
  - Miltown Composting Systems, Rosegreen authorised to accept food waste and have Department of Agriculture (DAFF) approval.
  - OD Recycling, Ballyboe Ballypatrick, currently seeking approval from DAFF





### Facilities in the South East

- 2 Composting Facilities in Carlow
- Waddocks and O'Toole's Composting (DAFF Approval)
- 1 Anaerobic Digester
- BEOFF's Biogas Plant Ballytobin, Callan Co.Kilkenny (DAFF Approval)





#### In Summary

- All provisions of the Regulations come into effect on 1 July 2010
- All producers must source segregate food waste
- Source segregated food waste must be transferred to an authorised treatment process or alternatively treated on site





#### Further information

www.southtippcoco.ie/environment

www.foodwaste.ie

<u>www.agriculture.gov.ie/agrifoodindustry/animal</u> <u>byproducts/frequentlyaskedquestionsfaqs.ie</u> <u>www.cre.ie</u>

