# The Waste-to-Energy Solution



Developing WtE plants in Ireland: Opportunities and Obstacles

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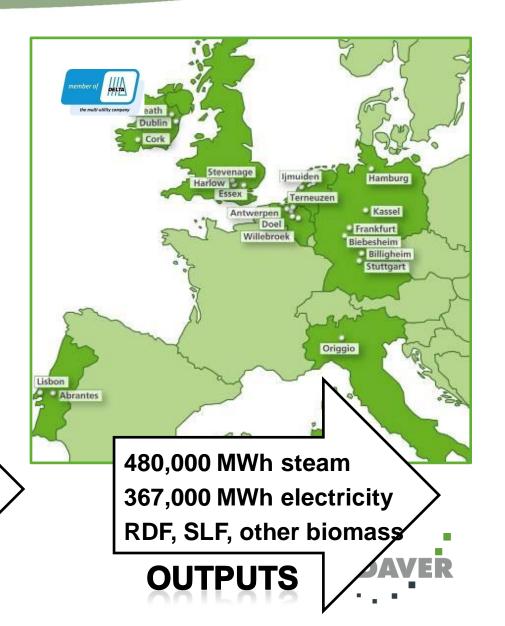
- Integrated waste management
- Local Government Initiative
  - Now 90% owned
- Member of DELTA
- Turnover €410m
- Over 1,600 employees
- All tiers of hierarchy

4.1 million tonnes handled

(2.1 million tonnes WtE)

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**INPUTS** 



## Non-Hazardous Waste Facility, Doel



#### **Indaver Ireland**

#### **Existing Business**

- Operating since 1977
- Site services, TWM, CAS
- Transfer station & Solvent Blending





#### **Meath Project**

- 200,000 tpa MSW grate furnace
- 15MW electricity export
- Operational September 2011

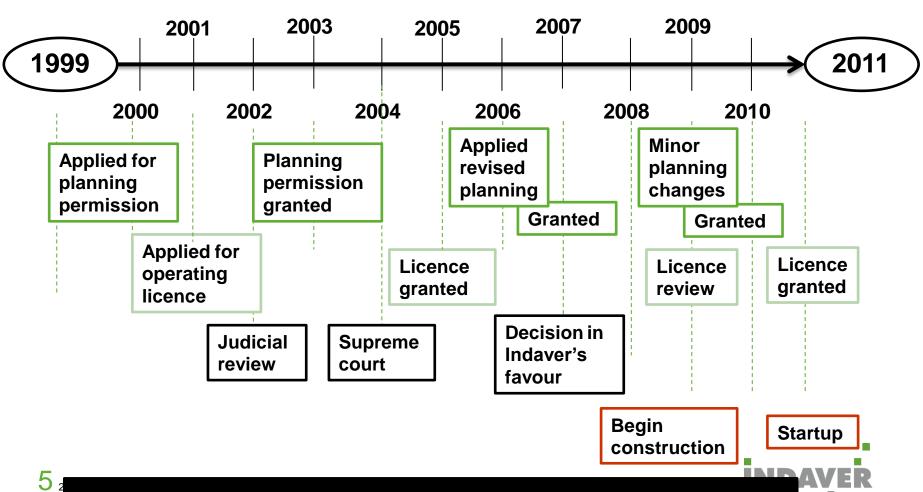
#### **Cork Project**

- 240,000 tpa industrial / MSW
- 22MW electricity or district4 heating / steam



#### **Pioneers in Ireland**

First commercial waste-to-energy facility



#### But there's more ...

- Aviation Authority
- Radiological Protection Institute
- Surface water discharge
- Tree felling
- Fire certificate
- Authorisation to construct generating station
- Generating licence
- Grid Code Compliance cert
- Market Accession (x2)
- TUoS Agreement
- REFIT
- Intermediary registration
- ....
- But not SEVESO!





### Driving waste up the hierarchy

# Policy drivers key

- Merchant plant & mainly privatised market
- Landfill levy €50/t (to increase further)
- Enforcement of BMW targets
- Implementation of WFD
- New waste policy pending
- All-island potential:
  - 4 5 plants / 1.2Mtpa / 150MW
- Mix of technologies needed

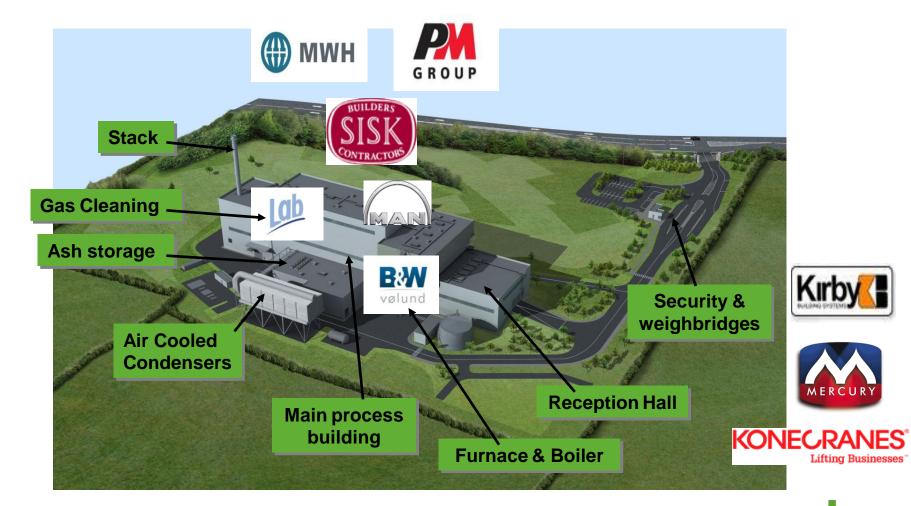


### **Ireland's First Waste-to-Energy Plant**



First Waste Acceptance: 15th August 2011

### **Meath Project**





### **Meath Project Construction to date**







Potato field August 2008

Foundations & Bunker Sep - Nov 2009

Boiler, Grate, FGT system May – June 2010



Commissioning Feb – Jun 2011



Turbine & air condensers
Dec 2010



Ancillaries & pressure test Sep – Nov 2010

### **Meath Project**



# Recycling 5,000 tpa Fe metals

#### **Recovery**

110 GWh electricity 57% Renewable by energy output

# **Inputs**

- 1. 200,000 tpa MSW
- 2. Reagents
- 3. Water
- 4. Support fuel (shutdown)

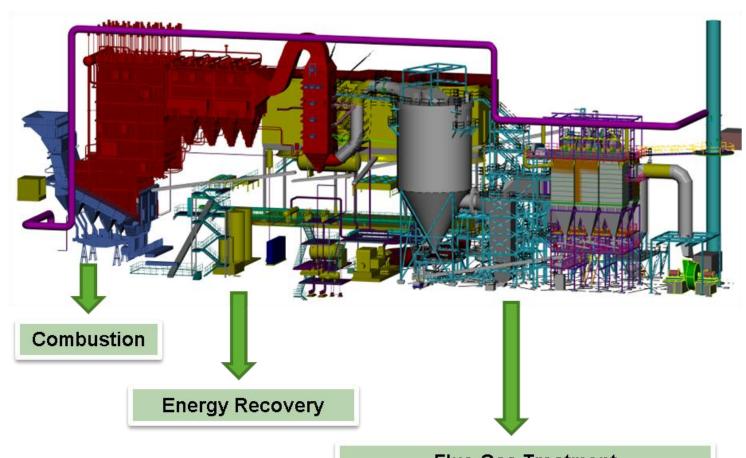
#### **Residues**

- 1. 45,000 tpa bottom ash
- 2. 7,000 tpa FGT residue
- 3. 2,000 tpa boiler ash
- 4. Clean flue gases

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### **Process Description**

### Most stringent air emissions limits of any industry



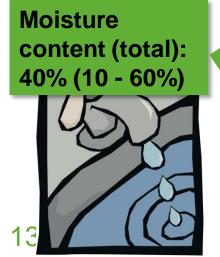
### Design: "Black bin" MSW and similar

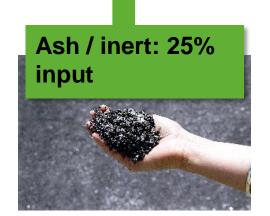


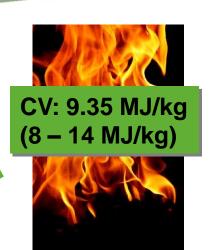
**Biomass: >65%** → (57% RE output)

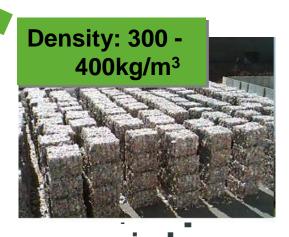
### **Pre-treatment by** source separation











### **Fuel Input: Flexibility**

#### 268 different EWC codes in waste licence...

#### **Grate furnace very flexible**

- "difficult" MSW
- changes in composition
- physical properties
- chemical composition

Can retrofit water cooling



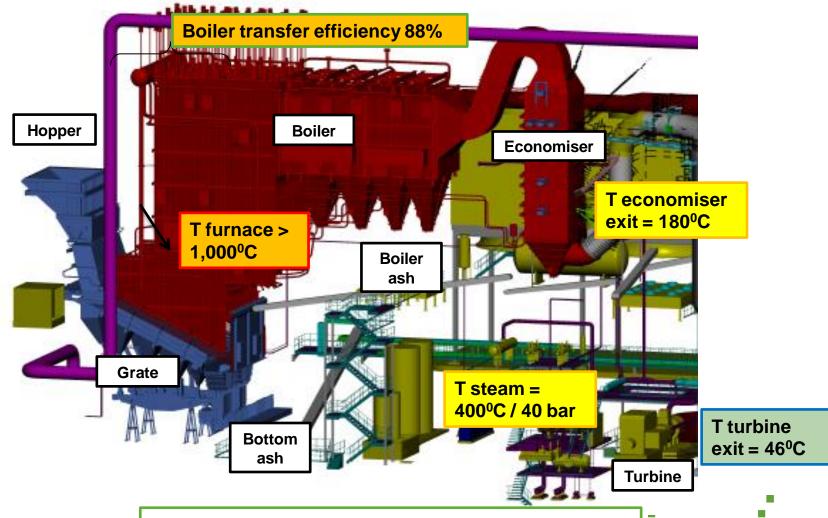


#### **Bunker planning & mixing**

- consistent feedstock
- remove non-conformances
- achieve optimum CV



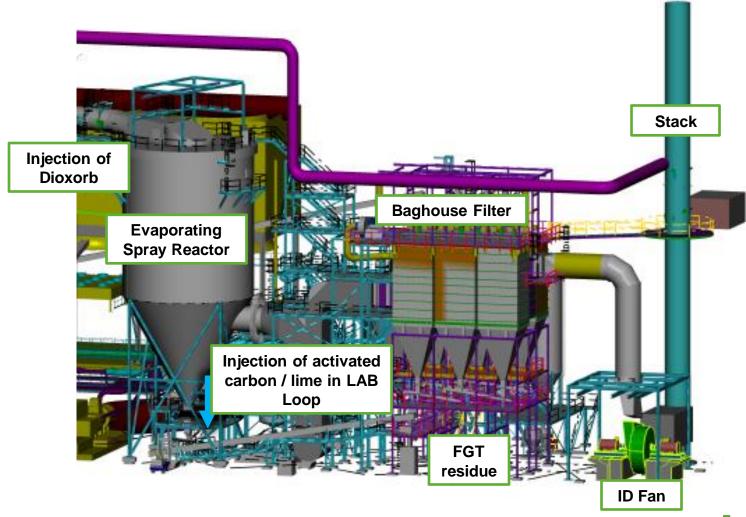
#### **Combustion Process**



Design for maximum energy recovery 21% Net Efficiency / 15MW export



### Flue Gas Treatment System





### **Outputs**

#### Electricity

- Electricity only, 15.2MW export
- 57.1% renewable qualifies for REFIT
  - Estimate from waste composition
  - Measure from C14 when ready
- Will meet R1 criteria > 0.65

#### **Bottom Ash**

- 50,000 tpa limited economies of scale
- Remove Fe onsite
- Classification & EPA

#### Flue Gas Treatment Residue, boiler ash

- 9,000 tpa, export only option
- Build haz landfill in long term









### **Local Community & Acceptance**

#### Funding

- Community Fund > €250,000 / year
- €100,000 / year during construction
- Additional €20,000 local sponsorship

#### Benefits & Communications

- Regular Newsletters
- 45 jobs
  - 6 from Duleek
  - 65% from NE Region
- Open days held









### What are your views?

Indaver would like to hear of any suggestions or queries you may have about waste-to-energy.

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