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To Whom It May Concern

I fully endorse the following changes:

(1) Give the EPA the executive power to close either temporarily or permanently a licenced facility which is acting in a non compliant manner.

(2) At the present moment the Board of Directors of the Environmental Protection Agency comprises all Executive Directors and they must introduce non-executive directors. There are no independent non-executive directors on the Board and this is not an appropriate Board composition especially for a State Board. Non-executive directors are ESSENTIAL on a Board.

(3) Minister John Gormley, T.D. has stated that the EPA is not his responsibility. So, who are they responsible to? By all accounts it appears that they are a self policing agency. This is not an acceptable situation for one of the most important agencies that we have. They must be made responsible to some government department.

(4) The EPA must also be given adequate finances to properly police the Irish environment and substantively punish those responsible for littering our countryside, poisoning our waterways, and polluting our air.

I remain,

Joe Moran