

Ringsend Incinerator Update 3 May 2017 – Eoghan Murphy TD

Information provided by the EPA and Covanta.

- The plumes that are coming from the plant is steam, not smoke. The reason for the very large amount of it at the moment is that the pipes and other equipment are being cleaned prior to full operation of the plant. During normal operations the emissions will not be so great, it will be an odourless vapour and will be coming from the stacks rather than vents in the building.
- An EPA inspector is visiting the site today to ensure that what is occurring is safe. They believe it is and will confirm this later today / tomorrow.
- The EPA have a mobile emissions testing station near the incinerator. They expect it to be fully operational and providing data online at the end of this week. More details on this are [here](#).
- There is not expected to be a smell coming from the plant. It is possible that oil used to generate steam during cleaning may have caused an odour.
- No waste materials have been burned yet, this is expected to begin at the end of this week / early next week.
- Once the plant is fully operational it will be active 24 hours a day. The details of truck delivery hours are to be confirmed, but expected to be happening 16 hours a day. Trucks taking waste to the incinerator must use the port tunnel and eastern bypass, not local roads (except for transporting waste produced in the area). If residents notice waste trucks from a wider area using local roads, they should contact the City Council or, failing that, my office.
- If you have any concerns regarding emissions or operations please see below the relevant contact details:

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