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# **Solutions for the Safe Disposal of Category 1 Meat and Bonemeal in Ireland**

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# Background to the MBM Disposal Issue



- 60,000 tonnes produced annually in Ireland
- Currently no sustainable disposal outlet
- The UK left the EU on 31 December 2020
- Export of MBM not permitted under Article 43(1) of Regulation (EC) No.1069/2009
- Challenges regarding export of MBM to other Member States

# Building the Solution

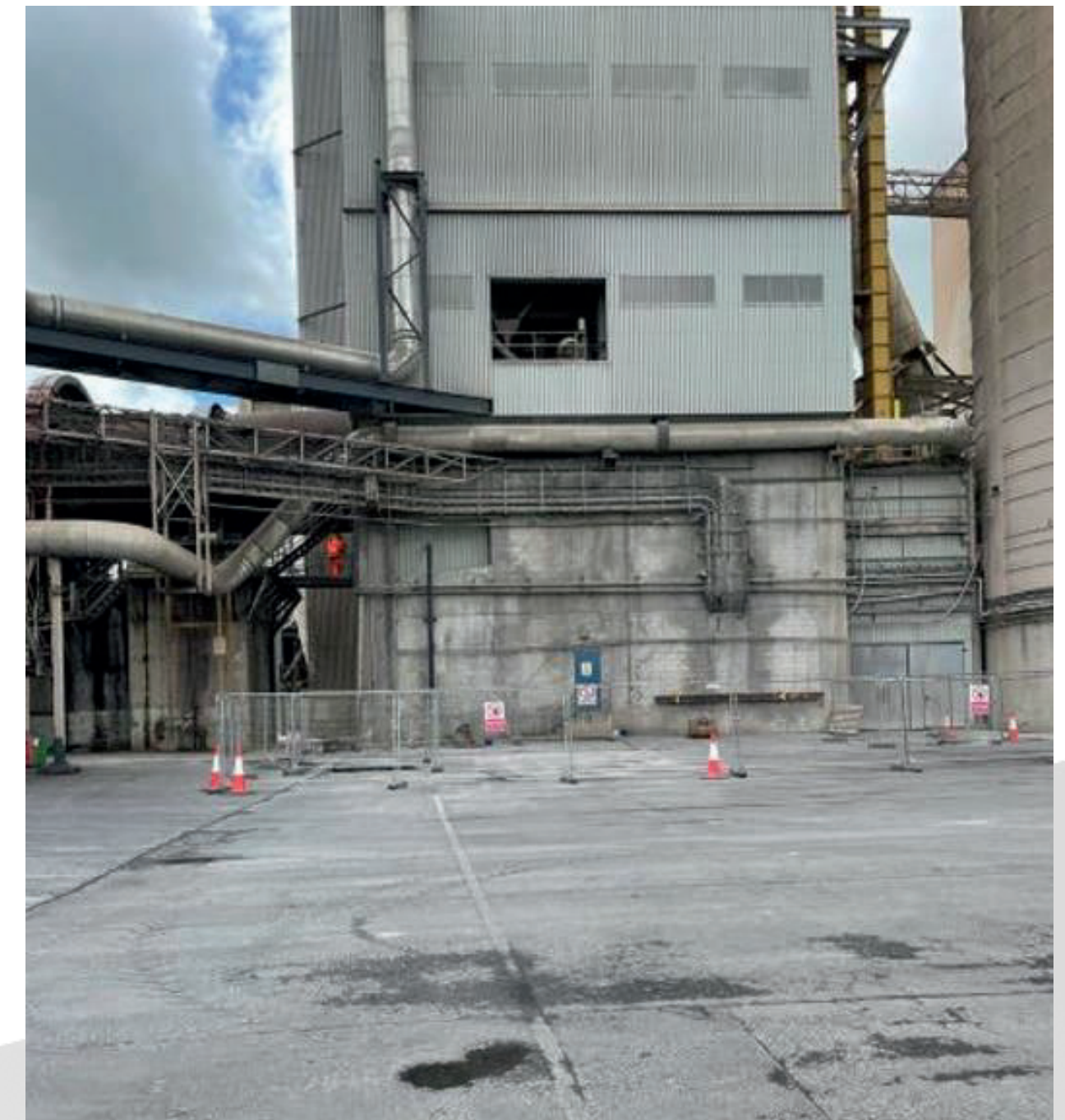


- Transitional export derogation
- Extensive engagement seeking sustainable solutions
- Call for expressions of interest issued :
  - Environmentally sustainable
  - Economically viable
  - Long-term
  - Scalable
- Eligibility for Brexit Adjustment Reserve funding



## Current Position

- Three projects are currently underway:
  - Two in the cement industry
  - One in the meat processing industry
- Works underway for new buildings and infrastructure
- Project timelines agreed
- Brexit Adjustment Reserve funding approved
- Projects notified to EU Commission under State-Aid rules (refs. SA 108230 and SA.108275)



# Environmental and Economic Benefits



- Use MBM as a renewable fuel to replace fossil fuels
- Assist decarbonisation by cutting CO<sub>2</sub> emissions
- Recover energy from a valuable animal by-product
- Secure the future of the meat processing sector

# Request for Support for Extension to the MBM Export Derogation



## 18-Month Extension to the Derogation

- Enable projects to be completed in a realistic timeframe
- Ensure works are carried out to high standards
- Adapt to unforeseeable events such as procurement issues

## **- Result following completion of projects:**

Sustainable solution for the disposal and use of total volume of Cat 1 MBM in IE



**Thank You All For Your Attention**