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To: Kristina Himmler Cc: Mark Taylor

EPR/QP3634DQ/V003 We Need More Information About Your Application CRM:0311053 Subject:

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Dear Kristina Himmler

Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016

Application reference: EPR/QP3634DQ/V003

Operator: STAR BRANDS LIMITED

Facility: Unit 23 Hunt End Industrial Estate EPR/QP3634DQ, Dunlop Road, Redditch, B97 5XP

Thank you for your application received on 15/07/2025.

We need to ask you for some missing information before we can do any more work on your application. Please provide us with more information to the following questions

We need to know

Ref	Requirement	Notes	Notes
1	Provide	The application includes a discharge to sewer, therefore this	
	application form B6	form also needs completion / providing.	
2	Provide both noise surveys (2023) and subsequent survey as referred in application.	The application refers to a survey being carried out in 2023 – which identified potential for significant adverse impact. Survey then later repeated after measures implemented and provided conclusion of acceptable impacts	The surveys are required in evidence to support the statement in the application.
3	Air Emissions	H1 should be relatively simple to produce for the 4 emission points to air, and this will provide less limitation for future.	Whilst there have been
	1. Provide a H1 assessment in order to remove LII	If this cannot be provide, the permit will be restricted for Air emissions to: C. Abatement systems/releases to air: The installation must comply with the criteria in this guidance without having to rely on active abatement for releases to the environment outside of any buildings. Releases must	no changes to air emissions by this variation, the permit is restricted to LII criteria.
	limitation	not be dependent on continuing or correct operation of	To remove

	OR 2. Confirm low impact criteria for air emissions to be carried forward (with limitation in the permt)	equipment, where failure of active pollution prevention systems could result in an unacceptable external release. For example, if the installation depends on active abatement in the form of scrubbers, filters or electrostatic precipitators to achieve the releases to the environment set out in this guidance, it is unlikely that it can be treated as having only a low potential for impact. However, abatement systems installed solely for the protection of workers (where abatement is not to attenuate external environmental releases) need not be included in this assessment. I. Emissions of polluting substances: Justify that there will be no likelihood of a release to the environment of any particular substance from the whole installation at a rate greater than that determined as insignificant as set out in our guidance note (see https://www.gov.uk/guidance/control-and-monitor-emissions-for-your-environmental-permit).	this tight restriction you will need to provide a H1 assessment (as is performed for bespoke applications)
4	Provide further evidence of the consultation with STW (that justifies low impact is achieved) for Emissions to Sewer	Statement in application – confirm the impact assessment has been screened out by the STW (WwTW) with conclusion that: • If the daily flow rate from the site is less than 1% of the inflow to the sewage treatment works under low flow conditions (dry flow) then STW concludes that the risks of the trade effluent discharge on the operation of WWTP and final effluent quality are screened out as insignificant. • The fact that the effluent has been screened out as insignificant by STW has been interpreted that it has an insignificant impact on final effluent quality and hence does not lead to or threaten any deterioration of the water quality of the receiving water body.	Further evidence is required in order to support the statements presented in your application.

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If you have any questions please email marek.taylor@environment-agency.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely,

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