
Application for Permit Variation

Permit N° 53997 (New Tip)

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Pre-application discussions with the Environment Agency

Section K

- Update from the Environment Agency re. application EPR/CB3508MW/V002 to vary the 'Old Tip' Permit (N° 53658) to accept cement-stabilised paper sludge from the 'New Tip'.
A permit variation is required for the 'New Tip' to carry out treatment works.

Darrell Woodrow

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Sent: 01 February 2019 15:20
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Subject: Urban Springside - EPR/CB3508MW/V002

Darrell

I would like to update you on the Urban Springside Old Tip application. I apologise that I have been unable to give you a meaningful update until now. The complexity of the site and the connection with the New Tip has meant that we have had to have extensive discussions with regards to the way forwards for this proposal.

We are aiming to issue the variation to the old tip soon, but the variation will only cover the deposit of treated material for engineering purposes. So please note our following concerns:

- we have concerns regarding the unearthing of landfill source material and treatment activities that are to take place within the auspices of the New Tip permit. So we have to ensure that the unearthing takes place within the correct regulatory framework. As such, a variation is also needed to the New Tip permit to allow waste treatment rather than deposit activities.
This is because the landfill has priority over the deployment, which will reflect the changed risk particularly with respect to amenity issues (noise, dust, odour etc).
- if you submit an application to vary the New Tip permit promptly, we will handle it outside of our normal procedure i.e. fast-track it so that it will not need to wait in turn on our work queue. Should you choose not to submit an application, an Agency-led variation will take place as from a regulatory and legal perspective, varying the new tip permit is vital before any waste is removed. A regulator initiated variation attracts the equivalent fee to that which would have been payable if the variation had been made by yourself.

You may consider using material from another source for the engineering aspects but, until such time as a variation to New Tip is issued you ought not open up the New Tip, else you risk breaching either the New Tip permit, the deployment or both.

I'd be happy to discuss the above with you over the phone, please let me know the best time to contact you next week.

Regards

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