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To: <u>Steve Raasch</u>
Cc: <u>Trafford, Kirsty</u>

Subject: EPR/VP3728SM/A001 We Need More Information About Your Application CRM:0833013

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Dear Steve Raasch

Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016

Application reference: EPR/VP3728SM/A001

Operator: FACCENDA FOODS LIMITED

Facility: Ivy Farm Poultry Unit, East Dundry, Bristol, BS41 8NH

Thank you for your application received on 01/09/2023.

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

1. Pre-application ammonia screening:

The ammonia pre-app screening report submitted with the application was dated 22/11/22 and for 45,000 broiler breeder (layer) places or 80,000 broiler places, both with natural/side ventilation. As the report is over 6 months old and for a different proposal, I've undertaken a screening assessment for the current proposal – 60,000 pullet places with high velocity ventilation (vents greater than 5.5 metres high, fan efflux velocity at or greater than 11 m/s as stated in the OMP). Based on the information in the current proposal, this assessment showed that detailed modelling would not have been required and therefore not requested at the pre-application stage.

Please confirm you agree with the details used for the screening assessment. If you

agree, there is no requirement to submit the modelling files and the associated modelling assessment fee.

2. Clean out operations - wash water collection and removal

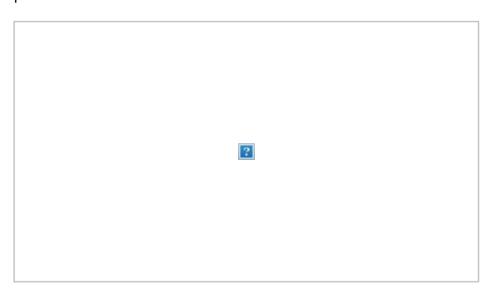
The Technical Standards states that drainage from animal housing and water from cleaning out will be collected in the sumps and exported off-site. However, several documents refer to a slurry tank and also wash water tanks.

Please confirm the clean out operations in relation to wash water collection and removal, and provide updated documents as required.

Note: Emergency Plan document refers to monitoring levels of slurry tank in the pollution prevention/control section, the Routine Maintenance Schedule document also includes slurry tank within the table, and the OMP also references slurry tank and wash water tanks.

3. Site layout/drainage plan

Please confirm what the blue squares shown below (circled in black) indicate on the plan:



Please provide a plan with an updated key.

4. Standby generator

Please can you provide the following details regarding the standby generator:

- a) Confirm if the standby generator is to be used for emergency use only if there is a mains power supply failure.
- b) Confirm the thermal input capacity of the standby generator in MWth.
- c) Confirm how many hours per annum the standby generator is operated for testing purposes.
- d) Confirm the maximum number of hours per annum the standby generator would be used for emergency use, where mains power has gone down.

Application payment:

Unfortunately the application payment you sent is incorrect. The correct application charge is £9,419. This leaves a balance of £779 to pay.

The total application charge is comprised of:

- Ref 1.14.1 Section 6.9 farming installation; includes assessment of odour management plan and noise and vibration management plan Permit application = £8.020.
- Ref 1.19.2 Habitats assessment = £779. A fixed charge is payable for a habitat assessment as there is a European Site within the screening distance.
- Ref 1.19.9 Dust and bio-aerosol management plan = £620.

Please reply directly to this email with your information and copy in kirsty.trafford@environment-agency.gov.uk.

Please send the information and payment within 10 working days of this email. Details of how to pay are given in Part F of the application form.

If we do not receive the information and payment within 10 working days we will return your application.

If we do receive the requested information and payment within 10 working days, we'll continue to check your application. We'll check to see if there's enough information for the application to be 'duly made'. Duly made means that we have all the information we need to begin determination. Determination is where we assess your application and decide if we can allow what you've asked for.

We'll let you know by email whether your application can be duly made. If it can't be duly made, we'll return your application to you.

If we do have to return your application we'll send you a partial refund of your application payment. We'll retain 20% of the application charge to cover our costs in reviewing your application and requesting information. This maximum amount we'll retain is capped at £1,500. Further information on charging can be found at: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/environmental-permits-and-abstraction-licences-tables-of-charges

If you have any questions please contact me.

Yours sincerely, Kirsty Trafford

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