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SOP 52 – Quality benchmark for run off and surface water effluent

Responsibility	Technical staff and trained operators
Frequency	Daily, Weekly, Monthly, and on a batch basis.
Point of Contact	Site Manager and Lab Manager
Overview / Purpose	Purpose: The purpose of this SOP is to establish a sampling regime and quality benchmark levels for surface water discharge from the Brocklesby Limited site discharged to swale from discharge point W1.

1) Critical parameters and frequencies for sampling and management of surface water at W1

		Frequency of						
		Testing (1)	Turnaround/ reporting (hours/ days) (2)	Calibration (3)	Maintenance/ servicing (4)			
Parameter	Method	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	Interferen ces	LOD	Expected range
Fats and oils	Visual and centrifuging	Weekly for W1, and on a batch basis for tank farm bund release	1 h			NA.	<1%.	Traces
pH	pH strips and pH meter	Weekly for W1, and on a batch basis for tank farm bund release	1 h	Weekly	Annual	Not known		5-9
COD	Adapted from EPA 410.4	Weekly for W1, and on a batch basis for tank farm bund release	6 h	Weekly	As required	Chloride interference removed by mercuric salt.	30 mg/L	<180 mg/L
Methanol content	Adapted from EN 14016 and EN14010	Weekly for W1	1 day	Monthly /weekly	Annual	Other VOCs unlikely to be found in NCL processing	0.5 wt%	<0.5 wt%
Total suspended solids	BSEN 872	Weekly for W1, and on a batch basis for tank farm bund release	1 day	Weekly	As required	Not known	0.5mg	20-30 mg/L

For the **equipment employed** please refer to the relevant **LTM** plus **SOP** methods

2) Documentation, reporting and record keeping

Electronic and hard copies of results and calibration logs will be kept and maintained by the relevant staff (operators and technical). These records will be available to senior management in order to monitor quality and make decision about the performance of the water treatment system.

3) Training of staff

Qualified and competent staff will be responsible for training the operators and technicians in the relevant LTMs and SOPs for analysis of surface water. Training records will be kept according to the approved management procedure. The person responsible for the training will be also in charged to advise in any corrective actions or additional training required by staff.

4) Supporting documents

LTM 08 - Centrifuge testing of oil samples for Moisture and Impurities

LTM 09 - Measurement of pH using panpeha strips

LTM 13 - Determination of Chemical Oxygen Demand

LTM 14 - Determination of Methanol content in aqueous samples

LTM 17 - Measurement of Total Suspended Solids

QAP 07 – Training Document

5) References

ISO 17025 General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories

EPA 410.4- The determination of chemical oxygen demand by semi-automated colorimetry.

EN 14106 - Fat and oil derivatives - Fatty Acid Methyl Esters (FAME) - Determination of free glycerol content

EN 14110: Fatty Acid Methyl Ester (FAME) Determination
of Methanol.

BS EN 872:2005 Water quality. Determination of suspended solids. Method by filtration through glass fibre filters
Procedure in line with the M18 Agency Guidance

Health & Safety Aspects :

When handling the effluent stream from the drain, correct PPE (chemical resistant gloves, eye protection, etc) must be worn to prevent contamination from chemical / biological hazards.

For information about adequate PPE to be employed please refer to the relevant LTM plus COSHH assessment.

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Corrective Action :

If any result identified does not meet the stated specification, this must be reported to the Site Manager as soon as possible. In the case of batches of water tested arising from the tank farm bund, no discharge will be made if benchmark ranges are not achieved.