

ENVIRONMENTAL RISK ASSESSMENT

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1. INTRODUCTION

This document forms an Appendix to the site's Management Plan (K114.1~09~006) that supports the bespoke Environmental Permit operated by Fernbrook Bio Limited at Rothwell Lodge Farm, Rothwell Road, Kettering, Northamptonshire, NN16 8XF.

This Environmental Risk Assessment (ERA) should be read in conjunction with the site's Management Plan and other supporting Management System documents.

This ERA was originally written to accompany the permit application and was updated in April 2014 to reflect improvements to odour management measures and the addition of action levels with regard to certain elements of the odour management system. The assessment has been further updated in February 2015 to reflect an increase in annual throughput at the site from 30,000 tonnes to 49,000 tonnes and the inclusion of a biogas upgrading system.

An iteration in 2017 was prompted by the amendments following change of company ownership, improvements to odour abatement and process management, and issue of Regulation 36 Notice by the Environment Agency. The gas upgrading system was not installed and references to the production of biomethane were removed.

Maintenance and upgrades to the reception hall odour abatement system were carried out by the manufacturer, CSO Technik, in late 2017. Fernbrook Bio have re-engaged CSO Technik to provide routine servicing and maintenance to the system going forwards.

The ERA was revised in 2018 following a client instruction to review existing Management System documentation, change in EA guidance and following independent review of incident in April 2017 and issue of Regulation 36 Notice.

The ERA was revised in 2020 to support the application for a Minor Variation to the site's Bespoke Permit (EPR/EP3894SC). The Minor Variation was limited to adding 9 and removing 7 waste codes from the permit. No changes were made to the processes of the AD facility; therefore, the revised ERA focused on a review of the sensitive receptors within 2 km of the site as this was the only aspect of the ERA that could have varied.

The previous iterations of the ERA were required to support the application for a variation of the Environmental Permit to alter the permitted biogas upgrading and bottling activity and to add a single Directly Associated Activity (DAA) for the treatment of odourous compounds from the AD process.



The gas upgrading system was not installed and references to the production of biomethane were removed. The permit variations to include the gas upgrading and the thermal oxidiser were not submitted in 2021 due to a change in ownership of the operator.

This iteration of the ERA is required to support the application for a Substantial Variation to the Environmental Permit. The scope of the Application includes increasing the annual throughput from 49,000 to 100,000 tonnes; expansion of the reception building to include an additional feedstock line; replacement of the reception building odour abatement system with extraction and activated carbon filtration (Stack 2: 12m); additional tanks (pasteurisation system, four buffers, two digesters and one end storage); new odour abatement system for all other tanks and process areas; gas upgrading for grid injection and propane gas storage; adding CO₂ recovery as an indirect activity; and modifications to ancillary equipment and pipework. There are no proposed changes to the permitted area or waste types to be accepted at the facility.

1.1. Scope

The site is operated in accordance with policies, plans, procedures and practices outlined within the Management Plan (K114.1~09~006) in Section 04 of the application pack.

The assessment conducted is specific to operations found at the site at the time of writing and is based upon observations made during site visits and a desk study. In addition, this assessment relies upon information provided by Fernbrook Bio Ltd and their technology advisors.

The Environmental Risk Assessment has been produced in accordance with the Environment Agency's guidance:

Risk assessments for your Environmental Permit¹

1.2. Aims

This assessment aims to identify potential environmental hazards, sensitive receptors to those hazards and the influence of site management practices for reducing risk.

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¹Risk assessments for your environmental permit - GOV.UK, 1st February 2016 (updated 31st August 2022)



2. SITE SETTING

2.1. Location

The site is located at Rothwell Lodge Farm, Rothwell Road, Kettering, Northamptonshire, NN16 8XF, at NGR SP 82389 80138. Lying approximately 600 m south of Rothwell, 1.1 km northwest of Thorpe Malsor, 1.3 km north east of Loddington, and 1.5 km northeast of Orton. The site covers an area of 2.33 ha.

Access to the site is gained directly from the west bound A14.

2.2. Environmental Setting

2.2.1. Geology

Review of the geological map for the area reveals that the local area is formed in deposits of Northampton Sands, which in turn are overlying the Upper Lias Clays. It is estimated that the depth of the Northampton Sands is less than 5 m and that the Upper Lias Clays extend to depths in excess of 50 m. Records suggest that significant areas of the site have been subject to open cast mining to exploit iron deposits within the Northampton Sands, and subsequently backfilled with quarry spoil.

2.2.2. Groundwater and Surface Water

The site is located over Secondary A Aquifer but not within a Source Protection Zone. The closest surface water course is the Slade Brook, approximately 500 m to the north of the site.

The Thorpe Malsor Reservoir is approximately 500 m to the south.

2.2.3. Flood Risk

The site is located within Flood Zone 1 and the probability of flooding at the site is regarded as low; additionally, given the proposed strategies for water management the site will not further contribute to flood risk downstream.

2.2.4. Air Quality

The site does not fall within an Air Quality Management Area. However, site design incorporates a dedicated air quality management system for the management of odours and bio-aerosols which is described within the Management Plan.



2.3. Nature Conservation

There are no designated conservation sites within 2 km of the site. Talby Meadows Local Nature Reserve lies 2.7 km to the north and the River Ise & Meadows Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) is approximately 4.2 km to the northeast of the site.

Non-Designated sites:

There are several Biodiversity Action Plan (BAP) sites within 2 km of the site. These areas consist of Deciduous Woodland (broadleaved) and Wood-Pasture and Parkland. The closest BAP Deciduous Woodland to the site is adjacent to the A14 and lies approximately 190 m west of the site's boundary. The closest Wood-Pasture and Parkland is approximately 1.4 km southeast of the site.

Deciduous woodland includes woodland growing on the full range of soil conditions, from very acidic to base-rich, and takes in most semi-natural woodland in southern and eastern England. It thus complements the ranges of upland oak and upland ash types. It occurs largely within enclosed landscapes, usually on sites with well-defined boundaries, at relatively low altitudes. The woods tend to be small, less than 20 ha. Often there is evidence of past coppicing, particularly on moderately acid to base-rich soils; on very acid sands the type may be represented by former wood-pastures of oak and birch.

Wood-pasture and parkland are mosaic habitats valued for their trees, especially veteran and ancient trees, and the plants and animals that they support. Grazing animals are fundamental to the existence of this habitat. Specialised and varied habitats within wood-pasture and parkland provide a home for a wide range of species, many of which occur only in these habitats, particularly insects, lichens and fungi which depend on dead and decaying wood. Individual trees, some of which may be of great size and age, are key elements of the habitat and many sites are also important historic landscapes.²

2.4. Nature of The Risk Assessment

This document provides a broad and general assessment of the risk factors considered to be of importance for an anaerobic digestion facility. The supporting documents detailed below

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² <u>UK BAP Priority Habitat Descriptions (Broadleaved, Mixed & Yew Woodland) (2008, revised 2011) |</u>
<u>JNCC Resource Hub</u>



provide more specific evaluation of impact from the principle risk factors to receptors within the site vicinity.

2.5. Supporting Information

In support of the planning application originally submitted for the site various reports were produced. Several of these documents are of relevance and have been used in undertaking this risk assessment.

- Ground Investigation Report (Prepared by Soiltechnics Ltd)
- Ground pollution prevention and control (Prepared by JPP Consulting Ltd)
- Dust and Odour Assessment (Prepared by STATS)
- Flood Risk Assessment (Prepared by JPP Consulting Ltd)
- Noise Impact Assessment (Prepared by STATS Ltd)
- Ecological Appraisal (Prepared by The Landscape Partnership)
- Planning Statement: Construction of biogas scrubbing columns, gas clean up, container, compressor, distribution kiosk, propane tanks, grid entry unit and export pipeline to grid (prepared by Philips Planning Services Ltd)
- Plant Noise Impact Assessment: Project GAS, Rothwell Lodge Farm (Prepared by Environmental Equipment Corporation Ltd)

This document is also supported by the following documents:

- Accident Management Plan (K114.1~11~002);
- Odour Management Plan (K114.1~09~013);
- Noise & Vibration Management Plan (K114.1~09~020); and
- Management Plan (K114.1~09~006).



3. METHODOLOGY

3.1. Hazard Identification

A hazard is something with potential to cause harm to something else. For example, fire is a hazard to life and property. This document provides a broad assessment of the hazards considered to be of principal importance for a composting facility. The hazards are:

Table 1. Identified Hazard Types

| PRINCIPAL HAZARD TYPE | SUB-HAZARD TYPE |
|-----------------------|------------------------------|
| Odour | N/A |
| Noise and Vibration | N/A |
| Fugitive Emissions | Dust & Particulate Matter |
| | Bio-aerosols |
| | Water Quality |
| | Litter and Debris |
| | Birds, Vermin and Insects |
| | Air quality (global warming) |
| Fire Explosion | N/A |

The documents noted in Section 2.5 'Supporting Information' provide more specific evaluation of impact from the noted hazard to receptors within the site vicinity.

3.2. Receptors

A receptor is the person, organism, resource or property impacted by a hazard. For example, odour may cause offence to a human (the receptor). The above hazards have been assessed in terms of their general impact on principle receptor types identified within the vicinity. In summary these receptors may be described as follows:



Table 2. Receptor Description

| RECEPTOR TYPE | DESCRIPTION | NEAREST LOCATION FROM SITE (APPROX.) | DIRECTION OF NEAREST LOCATION FROM SITE |
|------------------|--|---|---|
| Humans and | Site Workers | On site | On site |
| Property | Site Visitors | On site | On site |
| | Inhabitants of Residential F | Property | |
| | Original Farmhouse at Rothwell Lodge | <50 m | E&N |
| | New Farmhouse at Rothwell Lodge | 96m | ESE |
| | Residents of Rothwell | 615 m | NNW |
| | Binders Lodge off Kettering Road | 957 m | SSW |
| | Residents of Glendon Hill Farm | 1.03 km | NE |
| | Residents of Thorpe Malsor | 1.24 km | SE |
| | Residents of Woodfield Farm | 1.26 km | NE |
| | Residents of Rothwell Grange Farm | 1.42 km | Е |
| | Residents of Woodfield Farm | 1.45 km | N |
| | Residents of Loddington | 1.51 km | SSW |
| | Residential Properties at Woodfield Lodge | 1.67 km | N |
| | Residents of Bunkers Hill Farm | 1.75 km | NE |
| | Residents of Orton | 1.76 km | WSW |
| | Residents of Grange Farm | 1.82 km | NNW |
| | Binders Lodge off Kettering Road | 957 m | SSW |
| | Residents of Glendon Hill Farm | 1.03 km | NE |
| | Residents of Thorpe Malsor | 1.24 km | SE |
| | Sensitive Public Use | 9 | |
| | Rothwell Cemetery | 480 m | WNW |
| | Rothwell Cemetery | 480 m | WNW |
| | Holy Trinity Parish Church | 1.13 km | NW |
| | Rothwell Victoria Infant School & Rothwell Junior School | 1.29 km | NNW |
| | All Saints, Thorpe Malsor (Church) | 1.33 km | SE |
| | Woodland Hospital | 1.35 km | E |
| | Montsaye Academy | 1.59 km | NW |
| | Loddington CEVA Primary School | 1.76 km | SSW |
| | St. Leonard, Loddington (Church) | 1.89 km | SSW |
| | Rothwell Medical Centre | 1.97 km | NW |



| RECEPTOR TYPE | DESCRIPTION | NEAREST LOCATION FROM SITE (APPROX.) | DIRECTION OF NEAREST LOCATION FROM SITE | | |
|------------------|--|---|---|--|--|
| | Commercial Use | | | | |
| | Rothwell Service Station; Petrol Station & Outlets (McDonalds & Greggs) | 65 m | N | | |
| | Sewage Works south of the A14 | 725 m | ESE | | |
| | Multiple Buildings on Market Hill & Bridge Street - Rothwell Town Centre | 1.06 km | NNW | | |
| | Rothwell Truck Stop (Service Station) | 1.21 km | WNW | | |
| | Midland Stone Centre (Aggregates Yard) | 1.44 km | W | | |
| | Unspecified Buildings & Yards off Main Street | 1.69 km | SW | | |
| | Styles Lodge Holiday Accommodation & Equestrian Centre | 1.71 km | NNE | | |
| | Recreational Use | | | | |
| | Blythe Play Park | 547 m | N | | |
| | Rothwell Recreation Ground | 551 m | NNW | | |
| | Manor Park | 1.05 km | NW | | |
| | Park between Tennyson Road & Crown Lane | 1.43 km | NW | | |
| | Rothwell Town Cricket Club | 1.68 km | NW | | |
| | Agricultural Use & Allotments | | | | |
| | Rothwell Lodge Farm Yard | 0 m | Е | | |
| | Parcels of Open Arable Farm Land south of the A14 | 0 m | S, W | | |
| | Parcels of Open Arable Farm Land north of the A14 | 106 m | NE | | |
| | Allotment Gardens off Meadow Road | 965 m | WNW | | |
| | Farm Yard at Thorpe Malsor | 1.31 km | SE | | |
| | Allotment Gardens off Rushton Road | 1.52 km | N | | |
| | Woodfield Lodge Farm Yard | 1.59 km | N | | |
| | Roads | T | | | |
| | A14 | 12 m | N | | |
| | B669 | 525 m | W | | |
| | B576 | 1.51 km | NW | | |
| | A6 | 1.71 km | WNW | | |
| | Public Rights of Way | | | | |
| | Footpaths running between Rothwell Lodge Service Station & Rothwell | 65 m | NE | | |



| RECEPTOR TYPE | DESCRIPTION | NEAREST LOCATION FROM SITE (APPROX.) | DIRECTION OF NEAREST LOCATION FROM SITE |
|---------------------------|--|---|---|
| | Footpath running between Rothwell Lodge & Wyatts Plantation | 125 m | E |
| | Footpath running between Thorpe Malsor & Cransley Reservoir | 1.38 km | SE |
| | Footpath running between Thorpe Malsor & Harrington Road | 1.65 km | SE |
| | Footpath running between Loddington & Orton | 1.83 km | SSW |
| | Footpaths running between Rothwell & Desborough | 1.85 km | NNW |
| | Footpath running between Loddington & Great Cransley | 1.88 km | SSW |
| Surface | Slade Brook | 515 m | NNW |
| Water | Thorpe Malsor Reservoir (and associated streams) | 525 m | SSE |
| | Pond adjacent to Wyatts Plantation | 626 m | ESE |
| | Pond in Manor Park | 1.03 km | NW |
| | Pond adjacent to A14/16 Junction | 1.35 km | WNW |
| | Darwen Lake | 1.56 km | WSW |
| | Pond in Thorpe Malsor | 1.58 km | SE |
| | Two ponds at Grange Farm | 1.65 km | NNW |
| | Cransley Reservoir (and associated streams) | 1.73 km | S |
| Groundwater | Secondary A Aquifer though not within a Source Protection Zone | Beneath Site | Beneath Site |
| Protected | Tailby Meadow - Local Nature Reserve | 2.65 km | NNW |
| nature conservation | Birch Spinney & Mawsley Marsh - SSSI | 3.22 km | SSW |
| sites (SAC, SPA, SSSI, | River Ise & Meadows - SSSI | 4.25 km | NE |
| etc.) | Alder Wood & Meadow - SSSI | 4.52 km | NNE |
| | Pipewell Woods - SSSI | 5.59 km | N |
| | Stoke & Bowd Lane Woods - SSSI | 6.13 km | NNW |
| | Great Oakley Meadow - Local Nature Reserve | 6.63 km | NNE |
| | Badsaddle, Withmale Park & Bush Walk Woods - SSSI | 7.09 km | SSE |
| | Southfield Farm Marsh - SSSI | 7.11 km | SE |
| | Kings Wood - Local Nature Reserve | 7.85 km | NNE |
| | Geddington Chase - SSSI | 8.91 km | NE |
| | Pitsford Reservoir - SSSI | 9.19 km | SSW |



| RECEPTOR TYPE | DESCRIPTION | NEAREST LOCATION FROM SITE (APPROX.) | DIRECTION OF NEAREST LOCATION FROM SITE |
|------------------------|---|---|---|
| | Hardwick Lodge Meadow - SSSI | 9.55 km | SSE |
| Non- | Deciduous Woodland (broadleaved) | 190 m | W |
| Designated (BAP) Sites | Deciduous Woodland (broadleaved) | 455 m | NE |
| | Deciduous Woodland (broadleaved) | 615 m | NE |
| | Deciduous Woodland (broadleaved) | 720 m | SE |
| | Deciduous Woodland (broadleaved) | 785 m | Е |
| | Deciduous Woodland (broadleaved) | 850 m | Е |
| | Deciduous Woodland (broadleaved) | 890 m | WNW |
| | Deciduous Woodland (broadleaved) | 890 m | S |
| | Deciduous Woodland (broadleaved) | 1.3 km | NNW |
| | Deciduous Woodland (broadleaved) | 1.3 km | N |
| | Wood-Pasture & Parkland | 1.4 km | SE |
| | Deciduous Woodland (broadleaved) | 1.4 km | SE |
| | Deciduous Woodland (broadleaved) | 1.4 km | NE |
| | Deciduous Woodland (broadleaved) | 1.5 km | SSW |
| | Deciduous Woodland (broadleaved) | 1.5 km | WSW |
| | Deciduous Woodland (broadleaved) | 1.5 km | W |
| | Deciduous Woodland (broadleaved) | 1.5 km | E |
| | Wood-Pasture & Parkland | 1.7 km | SE |
| | Deciduous Woodland (broadleaved) | 1.7 km | NE |
| | Deciduous Woodland (broadleaved) | 1.8 km | ENE |
| | Deciduous Woodland (broadleaved) | 1.8 km | N |
| Atmosphere | Atmosphere - The site is not in an Air Quality Management Area (AQMA) | Surrounding | Surrounding |

3.3. Pathways

The pathway is the means by which the hazard reaches the receptor and forms the link between the two. For example, an odour hazard may reach a human receptor by travelling through air, with the air therefore being the pathway.

The source-pathway-receptor link must be present for there to be a risk. Management measures applied at the site may minimise the overall risk by impeding the pathway.



3.4. Assessment of Risk

Assessment of risk is based on the **probability** of receptor exposure to the identified hazards and the **consequences** of such exposure. **The initial assessment of risk is made assuming no risk management practices are applied.** A matrix is used to determine overall risk and uses the following definitions:

Table 3. Probability of Exposure

PROBABILITY OF EXPOSURE

HIGH – exposure is probable: direct exposure likely with no / few barriers between hazard source and receptor.

MEDIUM – exposure is fairly probable: feasible exposure possible, barriers to exposure less controllable.

LOW – exposure is unlikely: several barriers exist between hazards source and receptors to mitigate against exposure.

VERY LOW – exposure is very unlikely; effective, multiple barriers in place to mitigate against exposure.

Table 4. Consequences of Exposure

CONSEQUENCES OF EXPOSURE

HIGH – the consequences are severe: sufficient evidence that short or long-term exposure may result in serious damage

MEDIUM – consequences are significant; sufficient evidence that exposure to hazard may result in damage that is not severe in nature and reversible once exposure ceases (e.g. irritant).

LOW – consequences are minor; damage not apparent though reversible adverse changes may occur.

VERY LOW - consequences are negligible; no evidence of adverse changes following exposure.

Comparison between probability and consequence provides the **overall risk** which is reached as follows:

Table 5. Assessing Overall Risk

| | | CONSEQUENCES | | | | | | | | |
|---------------|----------|--------------|--------|--------|--------|--|--|--|--|--|
| | | Very Low | Low | Medium | High | | | | | |
| > - | High | Low | Medium | High | High | | | | | |
| PROBABILITY | Medium | Low | Medium | Medium | High | | | | | |
| ROBA | Low | Low | Low | Medium | Medium | | | | | |
| <u>a.</u> | Very Low | Very Low | Low | Low | Low | | | | | |



3.5. Risk Management

Risk management practices for the key hazards identified above are summarised in the tables presented below. The information presented below is supported by various documents and this is clearly indicated within each table presented. In addition, risk management measures have been developed with reference to several guidance documents, the following being of note:

- 'Risk assessments for your environmental permit'3
- Best Available Techniques (BAT) Reference Document for Waste Treatment⁴
- Sector Specific Guidance Environment Agency
 - EPR 5.06 Guidance for the Recovery and Disposal of Hazardous and Non-Hazardous waste⁵
- Horizontal Guidance Environment Agency
 - H4 Odour Management how to comply with your environmental permit⁶
- Monitoring Technical Guidance Notes Environment Agency
 - Monitoring stack emissions: measurement locations (formerly M1) (December 2022)
 - Monitoring of stack emissions: environmental permits, volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and methane (formerly M2 and M16) (February 2021)⁷
 - o M8 Monitoring ambient air (April 2014)
 - M17 Monitoring of particulate matter in ambient air around waste facilities (April 2014)
- Groundwater Protection⁸ (previously GP3). Environment Agency.
- Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016

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³ Risk assessments for your environmental permit - GOV.UK, 1st February 2016 (updated 31st August 2022)

⁴ <u>Best available techniques (BAT) reference document for waste treatment – IED 2010/75/EU (europa.eu), 2018</u>

⁵ Sector Guidance Note S5.06: recovery and disposal of hazardous and non-hazardous waste - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk) 13th May 2013 (updated 10th October 2018)

⁶ Environmental permitting: H4 odour management - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk) 4th April 2011

⁷ Monitoring stack emissions: environmental permits - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

⁸ https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/groundwater-protection



3.6. Residual Risk

The application of management practice results in a residual risk which is detailed in Tables 6-13, presented in section 4 of this document.



4. RISK ASSESSMENT & MANAGEMENT PLAN

The key risk factors identified above for an anaerobic digestion facility have been subject to a broad and general risk assessment. Each hazard is assessed in a separate table. The information presented is, as appropriate, supported by the documents noted in 'Supporting Information' above.

A schematic overview of the anaerobic digestion process is illustrated by Appendix A.

Many of the hazards identified in the following tables relate to 'Environmental Risk Points (ERP)' identified throughout the anaerobic digestion process. Each ERP is shown in Figure 1 below.



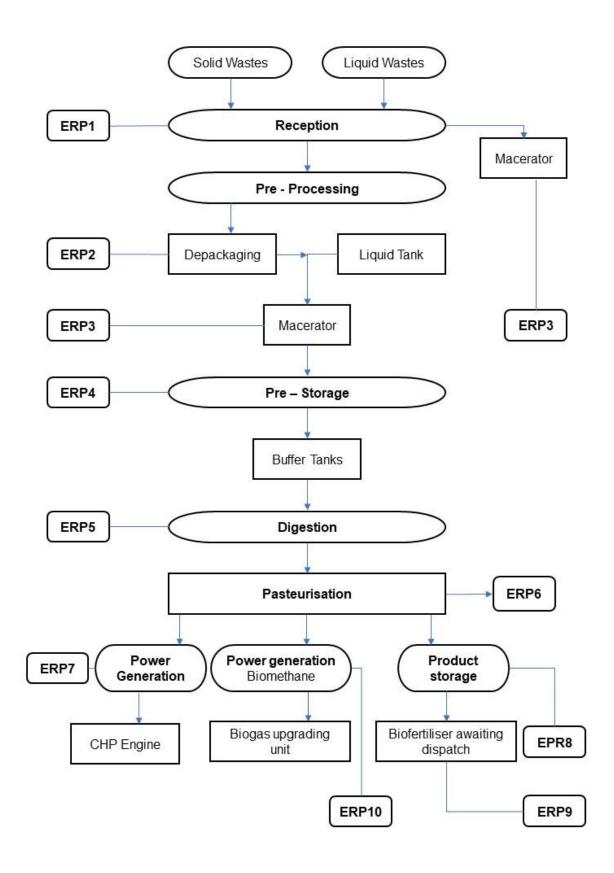


Figure 1. Environmental Risk Points



Table 6. Odour

| IDENTIFYING THE BE | HARM AND W HARMED | HAT COULD | ASSESSING THE RISK | | | MANAGING THE RISK | | |
|---------------------------------------|---|----------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|--|---|---|--|
| HAZARD | RECEPTOR | PATHWAY | PROBABILITY OF EXPOSURE | CONSEQUENCE | OVERALL RISK | RISK MANAGEMENT* | RESIDUAL RISK | |
| What has the potential to cause harm? | What is the risk? What do I wish to protect? | _ | How likely is this contact? | Ithat can be | What is the risk that still remains | What measures will you take to reduce the risk? If it occurs, who is responsible for what? | What risk remains following the application of management measures? | |
| | | | | | | Odour Management Plan (K114.1~09~013) | | |
| | | odge Farm | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | Pre-characterisation checks prior to receipt of waste (SOP001 – Waste Reception and Acceptance). | | |
| ERP1 | | | | | | Reception area fully enclosed with rapid closing doors (SOP002 – Waste Storage). | | |
| Reception (delivery of organic | (Rothwell | | | | | Reception building odour abatement system upgraded to extraction and activated carbon filter to prevent odour emissions | LOW | |
| reception building | Rothwell 560 m northwest). | wind direction is | | | | Progressive emptying and regular cleaning of reception pits (SOP004 – Feedstock Storage). | | |
| | Odour annoyance. | southwest. | | | | Reception building has ionised air system kept under positive pressure for contact time (SOP012 – Odour Control). | | |
| | | | | | | Efficient and prompt unloading of delivery vehicles. | | |
| | | | | | | Efficient and prompt loading of hopper (SOP003 – Pre-Digestion Processing). | | |
| ERP2 & ERP3 | | | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | | LOW | |



| IDENTIFYING THE | HARM AND W HARMED | HAT COULD | ASSESSING THE RISK | | | MANAGING THE RISK | | |
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| HAZARD | RECEPTOR | PATHWAY | PROBABILITY OF EXPOSURE | CONSEQUENCE | OVERALL RISK | RISK MANAGEMENT* | RESIDUAL RISK | |
| What has the potential to cause harm? | What is the risk? What do I wish to protect? | How can the hazard get to the receptor? | How likely is this contact? | What is the harm that can be caused? | What is the risk that still remains | What measures will you take to reduce the risk? If it occurs, who is responsible for what? | What risk remains following the application of management measures? | |
| Separation / maceration | | | | | | Storage of feedstock material is within sealed tanks (SOP004 – Feedstock Storage). | | |
| (Organic wastes loaded into macerator, or | | | | | | Hydraulic mixing inhibits settlement of fibrous material (SOP004 – Feedstock Storage). | | |
| where packaged via a depacking unit) | | | | | | Any emissions from the buffer and liquid tanks, which are sealed, are passed through a biofilter and then activated carbon filter to further remove | | |
| | | | | | | H₂S and Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs) before being exhausted to atmosphere via a new stack. | | |
| | | | | | | Suction is created by the fans on the inlet side of the tanks. | | |
| ERP4 Pre-storage (tanks holding liquid organic wastes awaiting digestion) | | | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | The size of the carbon filter vessel and carbon media required to achieve full treatment of odorous compounds, at the air change volume and velocity has been calculated and specified for the likely odorous compounds. | LOW | |
| | | | | | | Targeted compounds include fatty acids, amines and mercaptans. | | |
| | | | | | | Olfactory monitoring is carried out three times per day by both site staff and weekly by staff not routinely based at the site. Any observations are | | |

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| HAZARD | RECEPTOR | PATHWAY | PROBABILITY OF EXPOSURE | CONSEQUENCE | OVERALL RISK | RISK MANAGEMENT* | RESIDUAL RISK | |
| what has the potential to cause harm? | What is the risk? What do I wish to protect? | How can the hazard get to the receptor? | How likely is this contact? | What is the harm that can be caused? | What is the risk that still remains | What measures will you take to reduce the risk? If it occurs, who is responsible for what? | What risk remains following the application of management measures? | |
| | | | | | | recorded in the site diary and reported to the TCM (SOP012 – Odour Control). Monitoring of H₂S and NH₃ is conducted daily from the outlet of all tertiary abatement units (e.g. carbon filters) (SOP023 – Monitoring Output from Carbon Filters). Replacement carbon filters are kept in stock by the supplier to enable prompt replacement when necessary. This is likely to occur each 12 to 18 months but depends on waste types, climatic conditions and the odour concentration of the air. ADM Report (Ref: FM1316/R1/2021) concludes that for all sources, long-term average concentrations of NH₃ and H₂S are not screened out, but do not exceed the long-term EALs for either pollutant. At the sensitive receptor points, there are no exceedances of the long- or short-term EALs for NH₃, or the long-term EAL for H₂S. However, the short-term EAL for H₂S is exceeded at two of the residential receptors. | | |
| | | | | | | Performance monitoring will be undertaken in accordance with Permit conditions and further odour modelling will be considered. | | |



| IDENTIFYING THE BE | HARM AND W | HAT COULD | ASSESSING THE RISK | | | MANAGING THE RISK | | |
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| HAZARD | RECEPTOR | PATHWAY | PROBABILITY OF EXPOSURE | CONSEQUENCE | OVERALL RISK | RISK MANAGEMENT* | RESIDUAL RISK | |
| What has the potential to cause harm? | risk? What do | | How likely is this contact? | What is the harm that can be caused? | What is the risk that still remains | What measures will you take to reduce the risk? If it occurs, who is responsible for what? | What risk remains following the application of management measures? | |
| ERP5 Digestion (organic wastes subjected to anaerobic digestion, release of odorous biogas) | | | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | Digestion occurs within sealed tanks. Biogas generated by digestion is collected and stored in sealed tanks prior to utilisation to produce heat & power. Readings are taken daily. VFA action levels have been set to ensure that control measures can remain effective (SOP015 – VFA Determination). Excess biogas is burnt in the emergency flare under controlled conditions. Desulphurisation unit is operated as a second phase scrubbing unit. Gas quality data is monitored using the IT system, that automatically takes readings and if the level of H₂S is exceeded, it triggers an alarm system (SOP010 – Process Control). Carbon filter removes sulphide, siloxanes and Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs) through absorption. | LOW | |
| ERP6 Pasteurisation | | | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | Gas quality data is monitored using the IT system, that automatically takes readings and if the level of | LOW | |



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| HAZARD | RECEPTOR | PATHWAY | PROBABILITY OF EXPOSURE | CONSEQUENCE | OVERALL RISK | RISK MANAGEMENT* | RESIDUAL RISK | |
| What has the potential to cause harm? | What is the risk? What do I wish to protect? | How can the hazard get to the receptor? | How likely is this contact? | What is the harm that can be caused? | What is the risk that still remains | occurs, who is responsible for what? | What risk remains following the application of management measures? | |
| | | | | | | H₂S is exceeded, it triggers an alarm system (SOP010 – Process Control). | | |
| | | | | | | Off gases will be directed into the digesters and there will be no point source emissions to air from the pasteurisation unit. | | |
| | | | | | | Test points have been installed at strategic points to enable blockages to be identified and resolved swiftly (SOP021 – Site Checks). | | |
| | | | | | | Biogas is retained within a sealed system to the generating engines and to the emergency flare. | | |
| | | | | | | Biogas is scrubbed through a desulphurisation unit prior to introduction to engines to minimise corrosion to the equipment. | | |
| ERP8 | | | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | The desulphurisation plant serves to remove H ₂ S which in turn minimises odorous emissions. | LOW | |
| Biogas storage | | | | | | The combustion process in the engines and emergency flare further treats odours to minimise emissions. | | |
| | | | | | | The emergency flare is specified to comply with emission limits set in Table S4.1 of the Environmental Permit. | | |



| | IDENTIFYING THE HARM AND WHAT COULD BE HARMED | | ASSESSING THE RISK | | | MANAGING THE RISK | | |
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| HAZARD | RECEPTOR | PATHWAY | PROBABILITY OF EXPOSURE | CONSEQUENCE | OVERALL RISK | RISK MANAGEMENT* | RESIDUAL RISK | |
| What has the potential to cause harm? | What is the risk? What do I wish to protect? | How can the hazard get to the receptor? | How likely is this contact? | What is the harm that can be caused? | What is the risk that still remains | What measures will you take to reduce the risk? If it occurs, who is responsible for what? | What risk remains following the application of management measures? | |
| | | | | | | Monitoring is conducted during daily odour checks by site management (SOP021 – Site Checks). | | |
| ERP9 Storage (storage of whole digestate) | | | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | Liquid digestate is stored in sealed tanks (SOP008 Storage of Digestate). Collected by road tankers directly coupled to storage tank for loading product. | LOW | |
| ERP10 Generation of Biomethane (BUU) | | | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | Sealed system for treatment of biogas: removal of H₂S, VOCs and fine carbon particles Exchange of activated carbon filters and related maintenance Excess biogas is burnt in a dedicated emergency flare | LOW | |



Table 7. Dust and Particulate Matter

| | DENTIFYING THE HARM AND WHAT COULD BE HARMED | | | ASSESSING THE R | SK | MANAGING THE RISK | | |
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| HAZARD | RECEPTOR | PATHWAY | PROBABILITY OF EXPOSURE | CONSEQUENCE | OVERALL RISK | RISK MANAGEMENT* | RESIDUAL RISK | |
| What has the potential to cause harm? | | How can the hazard get to the receptor? | How likely is this contact? | What is the harm that can be caused? | What is the risk that still remains | What measures will you take to reduce the risk? If it occurs, who is responsible for what? | What risk remains following the application of management measures? | |
| ERP1 Reception (delivery of | Humans (Rothwell | | | | | Reception area fully enclosed with rapid closing doors. | | |
| organic wastes into reception building and loading into hoppers) | Lodge Farm <50 m, Rothwell 560 m | | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | Reception building odour abatement system upgraded to extraction and activated carbon filter to prevent fugitive emissions of dust and particulate matter. | LOW | |
| ERP2 &ERP3 | northwest), users of | Air | | | | Efficient and prompt unloading of delivery vehicles. | | |
| Separation/maceration (Organic wastes loaded | station & | Prevailing wind | LOW | LOW | LOW | Efficient and prompt loading of hopper. | LOW | |
| into macerator, or where packaged via a depacking unit) | restaurant (65 m north), Surrounding | direction is southwest. | | | | Documented management system controls delivery and ensure carbon filters are appropriately maintained. | | |
| ERP4 | land (largely agricultural) | | | | | | | |
| Pre-storage (tanks holding liquid organic wastes awaiting digestion) | and Highway users (A14). Inhalation of | | LOW | LOW | LOW | Storage of feedstock is within sealed tanks. Moisture content of stored material inhibits dust production. | LOW | |

| | DENTIFYING THE HARM AND WHAT COULD BE HARMED | | | ASSESSING THE RI | sk | MANAGING THE RISK | | |
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| HAZARD | RECEPTOR | PATHWAY | PROBABILITY OF EXPOSURE | CONSEQUENCE | OVERALL RISK | RISK MANAGEMENT* | RESIDUAL RISK | |
| What has the potential to cause harm? | What is the risk? What do I wish to protect? | | How likely is this contact? | What is the harm that can be caused? | What is the risk that still remains | What measures will you take to reduce the risk? If it occurs, who is responsible for what? | What risk remains following the application of management measures? | |
| ERP5 Digestion (organic wastes subjected to anaerobic digestion) | particles deposition of dust/particles on property and land. | | LOW | LOW | LOW | Digestion occurs within sealed tanks. Material in process has high moisture content and unlikely to produce dust. | LOW | |
| ERP9 Storage (storage of digestate) | | | LOW | LOW | LOW | Whole digestate unlikely to produce dusts. Digestate stored within sealed system. Malodorous digestate will be returned through the digestion process. | LOW | |
| ERP10 Generation of Biomethane (Operation of BUU) | | | LOW | LOW | LOW | Sealed plant, no dust or particulate matter released. | LOW | |

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| environment | | | | | | | | |

| IDENTIFYING THE HARM AND WHAT COULD BE HARMED | | | ASSESSING THE RISK | | | MANAGING THE RISK | | |
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| HAZARD | RECEPTOR | PATHWAY | PROBABILITY OF EXPOSURE | CONSEQUENCE | OVERALL RISK | RISK MANAGEMENT* | RESIDUAL RISK | |
| What has the potential to cause harm? | risk? vvnat | ו זבח חבד זח | How likely is this contact? | What is the harm that can be caused? | What is the risk that still remains | What measures will you take to reduce the risk? If it occurs, who is responsible for what? | What risk remains following the application of management measures? | |
| Vehicle Movements | | | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | Additional dust suppression measures available as required. All external areas will be subject to regular housekeeping. | LOW | |



 Table 8. Bio-Aerosols & Fugitive Gases

| IDENTIFYING THE HARM AND WHAT COULD BE HARMED | | ASSESSING THE RISK | | | MANAGING THE RISK | | |
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| HAZARD | RECEPTOR | PATHWAY | PROBABILITY OF EXPOSURE | CONSEQUENCE | OVERALL RISK | RISK MANAGEMENT* | RESIDUAL RISK |
| What has the potential to cause harm? | What is the risk? What do I wish to protect? | How can the hazard get to the receptor? | How likely is this contact? | What is the harm that can be caused? | What is the risk that still remains | What measures will you take to reduce the risk? If it occurs, who is responsible for what? | What risk remains following the application of management measures? |
| ERP1 Reception (delivery of organic wastes into reception building and loading into hoppers) | Humans (Rothwell Lodge Farm <50 m, Rothwell 560 m northwest), | | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | Reception area fully enclosed with rapid closing doors. Reception building extraction and filtration system prevents the release of bio-aerosols. Efficient and prompt unloading of delivery | LOW |
| ERP2 & ERP3 Separation/maceration (Organic wastes loaded into macerator, or where packaged via a depacking unit) | users of vehicle filling station & restaurant (65 m north) | Air Prevailing wind direction is southwest | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | vehicles. Efficient and prompt loading of hoppers. Documented management system controls delivery and ensure carbon filters are appropriately maintained. | LOW |
| ERP4 Pre-storage (tanks holding liquid organic wastes awaiting digestion) | Respiratory problems and illness. | | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | Pre - storage of feedstock is within sealed tanks. Moisture content of stored material inhibits bio-aerosol release. | LOW |



| IDENTIFYING THE HARM AND WHAT COULD BE HARMED | | ASSESSING THE RISK | | | MANAGING THE RISK | | |
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| HAZARD | RECEPTOR | PATHWAY | PROBABILITY OF EXPOSURE | CONSEQUENCE | OVERALL RISK | RISK MANAGEMENT* | RESIDUAL RISK |
| What has the potential to cause harm? | What is the risk? What do I wish to protect? | How can the hazard get to the receptor? | How likely is this contact? | What is the harm that can be caused? | What is the risk that still remains | What measures will you take to reduce the risk? If it occurs, who is responsible for what? | What risk remains following the application of management measures? |
| ERP5 Digestion (organic wastes subjected to anaerobic digestion, release of odorous biogas) | | | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | Digestion occurs within sealed tanks. Material in process has high moisture content and unlikely to produce bio-aerosols. | LOW |
| ERP9 Storage (storage of whole digestate) | | | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | Whole digestate unlikely to liberate bio- aerosols. | LOW |
| ERP10 Generation of Biomethane (Operation of BUU) | + Protected Nature Conservation Sites Atmosphere (Global Warming) | | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | Enclosed system to clean biogas and feed biomethane to the grid system. Stack 1 (~10m high) venting treated stream to atmosphere. A series of activated carbon media and polymer membranes are installed to remove polluting substances (H₂S, VOCs, NH₃, particulate, CO₂). The plant is operated in accordance with manufacturer's instructions and subject to regular maintenance. | LOW |



| IDENTIFYING THE HARM AND WHAT COULD BE HARMED | | ASSESSING THE RISK | | | MANAGING THE RISK | | |
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| HAZARD | RECEPTOR | PATHWAY | PROBABILITY OF EXPOSURE | CONSEQUENCE | OVERALL RISK | RISK MANAGEMENT* | RESIDUAL RISK |
| What has the potential to cause harm? | What is the risk? What do I wish to protect? | How can the hazard get to the receptor? | How likely is this contact? | What is the harm that can be caused? | What is the risk that still remains | What measures will you take to reduce the risk? If it occurs, who is responsible for what? | What risk remains following the application of management measures? |
| | | | | | | Air impact screening indicates insignificant impact from H₂S, NH₃ and VOCs. | |
| | | | | | | • Continuous monitoring for H ₂ S, NH ₃ . | |



Table 9. Water Quality

| IDENTIFYING THE HARM AND WHAT COULD BE HARMED | | | ASSESSING THE RISK | | | MANAGING THE RISK | | |
|--|---|--|-------------------------------|--|---|--|---|-----|
| HAZARD | RECEPTOR | PATHWAY | PROBABILITY OF EXPOSURE | CONSEQUENCE | OVERALL RISK | RISK MANAGEMENT* | RESIDUAL RISK | |
| What has the potential to cause harm? | What is the risk? What do I wish to protect? | How can the hazard get to the receptor? | How likely is this contact? | What is the harm that can be caused? | What is the risk that still remains | What measures will you take to reduce the risk? If it occurs, who is responsible for what? | What risk remains following the application of management measures? | |
| ERP1 Reception (delivery of organic wastes into reception building and loading into hoppers) | Groundwater & Surface Water (nearest water course Slade Brook 515 m north, Trib. to Slade Brook 580 m west & Thorpe Malsor reservoir 525 m southwest; over a Minor Aquifer but not within | | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | All reception and pre-processing activities undertaken over impermeable surfaces. Internal areas drain to sealed drainage | LOW | |
| ERP2 & ERP3 Separation/maceration (Organic wastes loaded into macerator, or where packaged via a depacking unit) | | Slade Brook 515 m north, Trib. to Slade Brook 580 m west & run-off to surface Malsor reservoir 525 m southwest; over a Minor Aquifer but | | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | system (SOP024 – Surface Water Management in Containment Area). All external surface water directed to soakaway via Class 1 bypass separator (SOP021 – Site Checks). | LOW |
| ERP4 Pre-storage (tanks holding liquid organic wastes awaiting digestion) | | | waters. | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | Feedstock held within sealed tanks. Tanks constructed on concrete slab. Tanks within bunded area with a capacity of 5,500 m³ (110% of largest tank). | LOW |
| ERP5 | SPZ). | | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | , | LOW | |



| IDENTIFYING THE HARM AND WHAT COULD BE HARMED | | ASSESSING THE RISK | | | MANAGING THE RISK | | |
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| HAZARD | RECEPTOR | PATHWAY | PROBABILITY OF EXPOSURE | CONSEQUENCE | OVERALL RISK | RISK MANAGEMENT* | RESIDUAL RISK |
| What has the potential to cause harm? | What is the risk? What do I wish to protect? | How can the hazard get to the receptor? | How likely is this contact? | What is the harm that can be caused? | What is the risk that still remains | What measures will you take to reduce the risk? If it occurs, who is responsible for what? | What risk remains following the application of management measures? |
| Digestion (organic wastes subjected to anaerobic digestion) | Deterioration of water | | | | | Recirculation of contaminated water back through process or disposal at suitable permitted facility if required. | |
| ERP9 Storage (storage of whole digestate) | quality. | | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | Float switch alarm system indicates significant leaks, and triggers closure of motorised sluice gates to prevent uncontrolled discharge (SOP010 – Process Control). | LOW |
| ERP8 Generation of Biomethane (BUU) | | | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | Condensate vessel stores water removed from the saturated biogas during the drying stage. | LOW |
| Vehicle Movements | | | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | Road ways and service yards concrete or bituminous materials, drained into gullies and discharged to soakaway via Class 1 bypass separator. | LOW |



Table 10. Noise

| IDENTIFYING THE HAI | RM AND WHAT RMED | COULD BE | ASSESSING THE RISK | | | MANAGING THE RISK | | |
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| HAZARD | RECEPTOR | PATHWAY | PROBABILITY OF EXPOSURE | CONSEQUENCE | OVERALL RISK | RISK MANAGEMENT* | RESIDUAL RISK | |
| What has the potential to cause harm? | What is the risk? What do I wish to protect? | How can the hazard get to the receptor? | How likely is this contact? | What is the harm that can be caused? | What is the risk that still remains | What measures will you take to reduce the risk? If it occurs, who is responsible for what? | What risk remains following the application of management measures? | |
| Internal Mobile Site Machinery (loading shovels) | Humans (Rothwell Lodge Farm <50 m, Rothwell 560 m northwest), users of vehicle filling station & restaurant (65 m north) | Air | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | Activity conducted indoors. Reception area fully enclosed with rapid closing doors. All machinery and equipment will be fitted with noise reduction devices as appropriate. Machinery will be operated in accordance with manufacturer's instructions and subject to regular maintenance. Limits on operational hours. Recent Noise Impact Assessment (ref: EC17694-2, October 2020) confirms that noise is not an issue. | LOW | |



| IDENTIFYING THE HAI | RM AND WHAT ARMED | COULD BE | AS | SESSING THE RISK | | MANAGING THE RISK | | |
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| HAZARD | RECEPTOR | PATHWAY | PROBABILITY OF EXPOSURE | CONSEQUENCE | OVERALL RISK | RISK MANAGEMENT* | RESIDUAL RISK | |
| What has the potential to cause harm? | What is the risk? What do I wish to protect? | How can the hazard get to the receptor? | How likely is this contact? | What is the harm that can be caused? | What is the risk that still remains | What measures will you take to reduce the risk? If it occurs, who is responsible for what? | What risk remains following the application of management measures? | |
| External Mobile Site Machinery (loading shovel) | Noise annoyance (e.g. sleep deprivation and associated health issues and loss of amenity. | | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | All machinery and equipment will be fitted with noise reduction devices as appropriate. White noise reversing alarms used where necessary. Machinery will be operated in accordance with manufacturer's instructions and subject to regular maintenance. Operation of external vehicles & equipment is limited to normal daytime hours associated with industrial use. | LOW | |
| ERP2, 3, 5, 7 Process machinery (Separators, macerators, pasteurizer, agitators, pumps, desulphuriser, ventilation equipment, CHP engine, flare) | | | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | Process machinery contained with building and tanks. Plant operated in accordance with manufacturer's instructions and subject to regular maintenance. Building designed to provide acoustic attenuation. Equipment with greater potential noise source located within built enclosures sited away from sensitive receptor. | LOW | |



| IDENTIFYING THE HAI | RM AND WHAT ARMED | COULD BE | ASSESSING THE RISK | | | MANAGING THE RISK | | |
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| HAZARD | RECEPTOR | PATHWAY | PROBABILITY OF EXPOSURE | CONSEQUENCE | OVERALL RISK | RISK MANAGEMENT* | RESIDUAL RISK | |
| What has the potential to cause harm? | What is the risk? What do I wish to protect? | How can the hazard get to the receptor? | How likely is this contact? | What is the harm that can be caused? | What is the risk that still remains | What measures will you take to reduce the risk? If it occurs, who is responsible for what? | What risk remains following the application of management measures? | |
| Delivery and Collection Vehicles (including use of weighbridge & wheel wash) | | | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | Enforced site speed limit. Deliveries & collections are limited to normal daytime hours associated with industrial use. Landscaping of site incorporates bunds which aid noise attenuation. | LOW | |
| ERP10 Generation of Biomethane (Operation of BUU) (noise generating components: chiller, maproblower, Air inlet filters for Compressor) | | | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | Acoustic panel screen installation around the chiller and blower. Blower housed within the Mapro casing. Acoustic panel shrouds installed around the compressor air inlet filters. | LOW | |



Table 11. Litter and Debris

| IDENTIFYING THE HAI | RM AND WHAT | COULD BE | ASSESSING THE RISK | | | MANAGING THE RISK | | |
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| HAZARD | RECEPTOR | PATHWAY | PROBABILITY OF EXPOSURE | CONSEQUENCE | OVERALL RISK | RISK MANAGEMENT* | RESIDUAL RISK | |
| What has the potential to cause harm? | What is the risk? What do I wish to protect? | How can the hazard get to the receptor? | How likely is this contact? | What is the harm that can be caused? | What is the risk that still remains | What measures will you take to reduce the risk? If it occurs, who is responsible for what? | What risk remains following the application of management measures? | |
| ERP1 Reception (delivery of organic wastes into reception building, some wastes may be delivered within packaging) | Humans, property (Rothwell Lodge Farm <50 m, Rothwell | roperty Rothwell dge Farm <50 m, Rothwell 560 m orthwest), users of vehicle ng station roperty Air (windblown); physical transport and denosition | LOW | LOW | LOW | Wastes received unlikely to contain loose litter and other light fractions. All reception and sorting activities conducted indoors. Reception area fully enclosed with rapid closing doors. Controlled discharge of loads. Packaging removed by the depackaging unit and collected in bins or bags for collection and removal off-site. | LOW | |
| ERP2 & ERP3 Separation/maceration (Organic wastes loaded into macerator, or where packaged via a depackaging unit) | 560 m northwest), users of vehicle filling station & restaurant | | LOW | LOW | LOW | | LOW | |
| ERP4 Pre-storage (tanks holding liquid organic wastes awaiting digestion) | (65 m north) Litter nuisance. | | LOW | LOW | LOW | Digestion process is fully enclosed. | LOW | |



| IDENTIFYING THE HAI | RM AND WHAT | COULD BE | ASS | SESSING THE RISK | | MANAGING THE RISK | | |
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| HAZARD | RECEPTOR | PATHWAY | PROBABILITY OF EXPOSURE | CONSEQUENCE | OVERALL RISK | RISK MANAGEMENT* | RESIDUAL RISK | |
| What has the potential to cause harm? | What is the risk? What do I wish to protect? | How can the hazard get to the receptor? | How likely is this contact? | What is the harm that can be caused? | What is the risk that still remains | What measures will you take to reduce the risk? If it occurs, who is responsible for what? | What risk remains following the application of management measures? | |
| ERP5 Digestion (organic wastes subjected to anaerobic digestion) | | | LOW | LOW | LOW | | LOW | |
| ERP9 Storage (storage of digestate) | | | LOW | LOW | LOW | Liquid digestate held in tanks and discharge directly into tankers for use off site. | LOW | |
| ERP10 Generation of Biomethane (BUU) | | | LOW | LOW | LOW | Enclosed system of equipment to clean biogas | LOW | |
| Vehicle Movements | | | LOW | LOW | LOW | Vehicles bringing materials to site will be covered; Incoming materials will be discharged directly into reception building; Vehicles removing solid digestate from the site will be covered. | LOW | |



Table 12. Birds, Vermin and Insects

| IDENTIFYING THE HAR HA | RM AND WHAT RMED | COULD BE | ASSESSING THE RISK | | | MANAGING THE RISK | |
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| ERP1 Reception (delivery of organic wastes into reception building and loading into hoppers) | Humans (Rothwell Lodge Farm <50 m, Rothwell 560 m northwest), users of vehicle filling station & air, restaurant (65 m north), | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | Reception area fully enclosed. Efficient and prompt unloading of delivery vehicles. | LOW | |
| ERP2 & ERP3 Separation/maceration (Organic wastes loaded into macerator, or where packaged via a depacking unit) | | northwest), users of vehicle filling station & air, | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | Frequent inspection of operational areas. Appropriate use of insecticides/bait stations, etc. as necessary. Contract with pest controller/contractor as necessary. | LOW |
| ERP4 Pre-storage (tanks holding liquid organic wastes awaiting digestion) | Surrounding land (largely agricultural) | | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | Pre-storage & digestion undertaken in sealed tanks; preventing access or suitable harbouring locations. | LOW |
| ERP5 | and | | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | | LOW |



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| Digestion (organic wastes subjected to anaerobic digestion) | Highway users (A14). | | | | | | | |
| ERP9 | | | 1.014 | MEDIUM | .4550.04 | Liquid digestate stored in sealed tanks. | 1.004 | |
| Storage (storage of digestate) | Amenity impact and | | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | Pest treatment to be conducted routinely when materials being stored | LOW | |
| ERP8 | impact on human | | | | | Enclosed system to clean biogas and feed | | |
| Generation of Biomethane (BUU) | health. | | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | biomethane to the grid system. Stack ~10m high venting treated stream. | LOW | |
| Vehicle Movements | | | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | Delivery vehicles may contain waste that is attractive to pests; all vehicles will be covered, delivery and offloading undertaken within the reception building. | LOW | |



 Table 13. Fire and Explosion

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| ERP1 Reception (delivery of organic wastes into reception building and loading into hoppers) | Humans (Rothwell Lodge Farm <50 m, Rothwell 560 | | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | Accident Management Plan (K114.1~11~002) Delivery vehicles monitored by staff, unlikely to contain sources of ignition. | LOW | |
| ERP2 & ERP3 Separation/maceration (Organic wastes loaded into macerator, or where packaged via a depacking unit) | m northwest), users of vehicle filling station & restaurant (65 m north), | Spread through physical contact; fanned by winds | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | Process intrinsically safe; moisture content of waste reduces risk of ignition. | LOW | |
| ERP4 Pre-storage (tanks holding liquid organic wastes awaiting digestion) | Surrounding land (largely agricultural) | | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | Materials in liquid/sludge form, unlikely to provide source of ignition or combustion. | LOW | |

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| ERP6 Digestion (organic wastes subjected to anaerobic digestion, process involves elevated temperatures) | and Highway users (A14) Loss of life | | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | Biogas generated by digestion process may provide combustion source – process controlled by telemetric system and stored within engineered tanks designed for the specific purpose. | LOW | |
| ERP9 Storage (storage of digestate) | and property destruction loss of amenity. | and property destruction loss of | | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | Whole digestate stored away from main process building and does not provide a combustible material to sustain fire. | LOW |
| ERP10 Generation of Biomethane (BUU) | | | LOW | HIGH | MEDIUM | Enclosed system to clean biogas and feed biomethane to the grid system. The plant is operated in accordance with manufacturer's instructions and subject to regular maintenance. | LOW | |



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| Fuel and substance spillage (flammable substances presenting fire risk) | | | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | Fuels stored in secure tanks, double skinned and bunded with 110% capacity. Spill kits available and easily accessible. Secure storage of any hazardous substances necessary for site operation. DSEAR Risk Assessment (ref: P100399-1087, March 2016) and zoning plan ensures safe storage of fuels and biogas and flare usage. | LOW | |
| Hot works (welding or cutting) | | | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | Hot works are undertaken by specialist contractors in accordance with a permit to work system. Fire mitigation equipment will be available at the location where hot works are being undertaken. | LOW | |
| Arson or vandalism | | | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | Site is secured by fencing, bunds and CCTV. Site is located in a remote location on a no through road. There is no pedestrian access to the site. | LOW | |

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| Plant or equipment failure | | | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | Fully automated AD process with constant monitoring and alarm system. All plant and equipment is subject to regular maintenance and inspection in accordance with manufacturers guidelines. Nature of the material stored within the site is not combustible. | LOW | |
| Hot exhausts | | | LOW | MEDIUM | MEDIUM | All site plant is subject to an evening shut down procedure. Stored away from the main AD process. | LOW | |



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