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Hi Andy,

Many thanks for your response and for sending over the Technical Note, modelling files, meteorological data and survey data. I can confirm that I have received all the requested information from my initial email on 10th March.

This is likely to help speed up the determination of your application.

A Permitting Officer will be in touch once the application is duly made, I unfortunately cannot expand upon expected timescales for duly making beyond what was mentioned in my initial email.

Kind regards,

Richard Jovic

Technical Officer, Acoustics & Air Quality Modelling & Assessment Unit (AQMAU)
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Hi Richard,

Further to your email below, the Noise Consultants have undertaken further noise monitoring at the Site and have produced the attached Technical Note in response to your queries.

Due to their size, the modelling files will be provided via a share file transfer for which you should receive a separate email shortly.

Regards

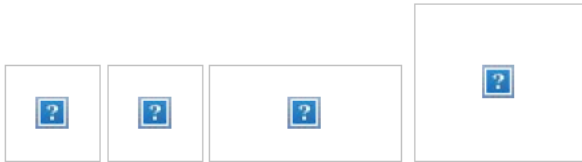
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Request for Further information (RFI) - Corbriggs Wood Processing Facility - EPR/DP3642YM/A001

Dear Andy Stocks,

Our current queues are large, and we are taking longer than usual to allocate work for the initial completeness check, known as duly making.

While your application is queuing for these duly making checks, AQMAU (Acoustics & Air Quality Modelling & Assessment Unit) have completed an initial limited review of your application to identify any key information that is missing that will prevent us from undertaking the full technical assessment and determination of the application **with regards to noise pollution only**.

To provide you with as much time and opportunity as possible to gather the required additional information to support your submitted **noise impact assessment**, we are sending you this RFI now ahead of the application being allocated to a Permitting Officer for duly making.

If we do not receive a response from you, this information, along with any other key information needed to determine your application, will be requested formally under a Schedule 5 Notice (under paragraph 4 of Part 1 of Schedule 5 of the Environmental Permitting (England & Wales) Regulations 2016), once a Permitting Officer is allocated and if the application is duly made.

If you submit the requested information to me before the application is duly made, this may help speed up the final determination of your application.

You can contact me to talk through any of the technical questions you are unsure about. The allocated Permitting Officer will be the contact for any other non-technical queries once the application is allocated for duly making. Please note, additional further information may be requested at duly making.

Regarding the bigger picture, it is worth explaining that allocation timescales are very difficult to predict due to their complexity and they also depend on the composition of the queue in terms of sub-sectors and connecting the actual permitting work to the resource capacity we have at any point in time.

In order for us to carry out the full assessment of your noise impact assessment, we have found we need the following information:

Modelling

- Provide the noise modelling files in the original format which have been used within the noise impact assessment to predict the specific sound levels.

Background sound levels

- The operational hours of the site are proposed to be between 07:00 – 19:00, 7 days a week. Background sound levels, used for assessment of nearby noise sensitive receptors, have been derived from attended weekday measurements carried out over a 75 minute period between 10:15 – 11:30am. The noise impact assessment does not take into account any lower background sound levels which may be present during the weekends, as well as the potentially most sensitive periods of operation in the early morning and late daytime.
 - Update the BS4142 impact assessments to include separate assessments during the week and weekend with corresponding background sound levels that are representative of the entire range of proposed operating hours for the site.
 - If additional sound survey measurements are carried out, provide the raw survey measurements in an excel file or otherwise tabulated format in the original measurement time interval of at least 15 minutes (in line with Section 8.1.3 of BS4142). Include the time, date, LAeq, LAmx and LA90 for each individual measurement.

Section 8.1.4 of BS4142+A1:2019 states “The monitoring duration should reflect the range of background sound levels for the period being assessed. In practice, there is no “single” background sound level as this is a fluctuating parameter. However, the background sound level used for the assessment should be representative of the period being assessed.

NOTE 1 To obtain a representative background sound level a series of either sequential or disaggregated measurements should be carried out for the period(s) of interest, possibly on more than one occasion. A representative level should account for the range of background sound levels and should not automatically be assumed to be either the minimum or modal value.

- If carrying out additional survey measurements to represent typical background sound levels, monitor the weather at a location representative of the measurement positions.

Section 6.4 of BS4142 gives details of the weather information that should be recorded at measurement locations.

Sound sources

- For each proposed sound source, clarify the following in line with EA guidance on [Noise impact assessments involving calculations or modelling - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/noise-impact-assessments-involving-calculations-or-modelling):
 - Confirm whether there will be any other fixed or mobile plant onsite apart from the shredder(s) and HGVs. If any other fixed or mobile plant is proposed, update the noise impact assessment accordingly.
 - State the number and location of each sound source on site.
 - State the hours in which each sound source will operate if these are different to the site's operating hours.
 - Provide the height of any proposed bunds or barriers (including the waste bays).

By providing a response to this letter and the necessary information this will help make our determination of your application as efficient and timely as possible.

Yours sincerely,

Richard Jovic

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