

# **About this consultation**

# ST15 0SS, Blancomet Recycling UK Limited: environmental permit consultation

The aim of this consultation is to ask whether you have any comments relevant to the permit application

We want to make the best decision when permitting. Listening to the views of others helps us to take account of concerns, or local environmental factors, that we may not be otherwise aware of.

We are seeking comments on the application for Blancomet Recycling UK Limited. Please use the reference number below when making comments on this application.

- Permit Number: EPR/KP3439JU/V003
- Regulated facility type:

The variation is to allow the site to store and bulk up hazardous batteries by chemistries (repackaging of hazardous batteries). The site is already permitted to store and treat hazardous waste under the following installation and waste operation activities:

- S5.6 A1(a) Temporary storage of hazardous waste with a total capacity exceeding 50 tonnes lead acid
  batteries and there will be no changes to this activity.
- S5.3 A1(a)(ii) Disposal or recovery of hazardous waste with capacity exceeding 10 tonnes per day involving physico-chemical treatment (treatment of hazardous catalytic converters).
- S5.3 A1(a)(ii) Disposal or recovery of hazardous waste with capacity exceeding 10 tonnes per day involving physico-chemical treatment (treatment of lead acid batteries).
- Treatment of non-hazardous catalytic converters.
- Granulation of non-hazardous wiring looms.
- Storage and transfer of non-hazardous waste.

As part of this variation, additional EWC codes are proposed to be added to the permit, mainly under the S5.6 hazardous waste storage activity - 16 06 02\*, 16 06 03\*, 16 02 15\*, 20 01 33\*, and under the storage and transfer of non-hazardous waste - 16 06 04, 16 06 05, and 20 01 34.

- An additional storage location for batteries storage in ISO container will be constructed at the NE corner of the car park (stockpile 14).
- Storage quantities will increase by a maximum of 30 tonnes in new stockpile 14.

- Treatment of hazardous cables by granulation is being regularised because the site is already permitted to undertake the non-hazardous waste equivalent.
- There will be no changes to the site area or annual tonnages of waste that the site is permitted to treat.
- Regulated facility location: Blancomet Recycling, Opal Way, Stone, Staffordshire, ST15 0SS

#### **Non-Technical Summary**

Refer to the non-technical summary which explains this application, in non-technical language. This should include a summary of the regulated facility, the key technical standards and control measures arising from the risk assessment.

#### What the response will be used for

We will take your consultation responses into consideration as part of our determination of the permit. If we decide to grant the permit we will explain how we made our decision and how we have addressed the concerns that were raised.

We will only issue a permit if we believe that harm to the environment, people and wildlife will be minimised and that the operator has the ability to meet the conditions of the permit. Providing a business can prove that the proposed activities meets all the legal requirements, including environmental, technological and health requirements, then we are legally obliged to issue a permit, even if some people do not approve of the decision.

#### **How to Respond**

If you would like to comment online, please use the online consultation tool in Citizen Space.

If you'd prefer to submit your response by email, contact PSCpublicresponse@environment-agency.gov.uk

## How we will use your information

We will look to make comments received publicly available at our Environment Agency public register.

All comments which are made publicly available will exclude email addresses and telephone numbers. Any comments where confidentiality has been claimed will not appear on the public register.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, we may be required to publish your response to this consultation, but will not include any personal information. If you have requested your response to be kept confidential, we may still be required to provide a summary of it.

### **Consultation Principles**

We are running this consultation in accordance with the criteria set out in the government's Consultation Principles.

If you have any queries or complaints about the way this consultation has been carried out, please email: PSCpublicresponse@environment-agency.gov.uk