**Non Technical Summary**

Deepdale Farm poultry unit will have a permit to rear 50,000 turkeys or 200,000 broilers in 4 poultry houses, houses are to be heated by biomass.

Turkeys would be housed at day old, with stags and hens separated internally in each house. The hens would be thinned gradually over the growing period allowing more growing space for the stags, hens would then be depleted allowing the remaining stags to grow on to approximately 18kg at depletion, this would give 2-3 cycles per annum.

Broilers would be housed at day old and 30% thinned at around thirty-two days of age with de population at around 38 days of age with approximately seven days empty, which will give approximately 7.5 cycles per annum, this will be done on an all out all in basis.

Before bird arrival the houses will be pre-warmed by hot water heaters fuelled by the biomass boiler. Floors will be covered with a layer of bulk wood shavings. Temperature and humidity will be computer controlled and closely monitored on a daily basis to achieve a target level of 21º C post brooding and a relative humidity of 55-60%, this should achieve litter with a high dry matter content which is important to minimising emissions. Ventilation is controlled by a negative pressure system using high velocity roof mounted extraction fans on all houses, all houses will have gable fans for summer cooling. Water is via a nipple drinking system fitted with cups to reduce leakage and spills leading to drier litter.

Birds will be fed a minimum of three diets during their growth, with gradually reducing levels of protein and phosphorous as bird age increases.

Feed is delivered from a UKAS accredited feed mill and blown into bulk feed bins situated at the ends of the houses, from the feed bins the feed is augered into the houses and distributed to the birds via a pan feeding system.

At depletion the litter will be removed from the site and used on operator controlled land. The farm will then be pressure washed disinfected, dried out prior to the cycle beginning again.

Fallen stock during the production cycle will be collected and recorded daily. These will be collected by a licensed collection agent.

The above measures are designed to reduce emissions, trees and hedges will trap dust particles reducing odour. Ammonia emissions will be reduced by reduced protein feed, maintaining good litter conditions with a high dry matter content. Containment of wash waters will prevent pollutants being released to the environment.

Records of tonnages of litter and wash water exported off site are recorded.