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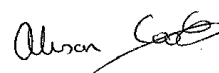
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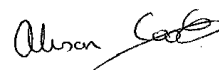
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NT16545-001	Receptor Plan	1:17,000 @A3
NT16773-001	Fire Prevention Plan	

1 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1.1 Recycle It Global Scorrier Limited (“RIG”) have instructed Wardell Armstrong to prepare a Fire Prevention Plan for their waste treatment facility located in Scorrier, Cornwall.
- 1.1.2 The facility is located on land adjacent to Parc-an-Chy Mine, Treskerby Road, Scorrier, TR16 5AU.
- 1.1.3 This Fire Prevention Plan has been prepared as part of an environmental permit variation (permit reference EPR/DP3892HD/V003) to introduce a range of wastes to be treated through a new state of the art wash plant.
- 1.1.4 The permitted activities will be limited to physico-chemical treatment of inert, non-hazardous and potentially contaminated wastes (e.g. soils from brownfield sites). Treatment comprises soil, aggregate and stone washing and separation and storage of waste pending treatment activities.
- 1.1.5 The vast majority of waste on site will be inert in nature and not within the Environment Agency’s combustible waste guidance.
- 1.1.6 This Fire Prevention Plan addresses the fire prevention and fire management associated with potentially combustible street cleaning residues which may contain small fractions of potentially combustible materials.
- 1.1.7 This Fire Prevention Plan has been prepared in accordance with Environment Agency guidance on Fire Prevention Plans.

2 WHO THIS PLAN IS FOR

- 2.1.1 This plan has been prepared for all site staff to ensure that they understand the steps to be taken in order to minimise the risk of fires, and to minimise the impacts of a fire should one occur.
- 2.1.2 Staff will receive training regarding the contents of the plan as part of their induction on joining RIG. Training will cover the risks (i.e. the risk associated with street cleaning residues), management systems to prevent fires, and what to do in the event of a fire and managing clean up after a fire.
- 2.1.3 A copy of the plan will be kept in the site office, and it will also be made available via RIG's electronic management system, allowing staff to have access via their computer.
- 2.1.4 The plan will be shared with any contractors working on site, where applicable, to enable them to understand the implications of their actions and to manage their work safely.
- 2.1.5 Contractors or other visitors to the site should be accompanied by a member of staff familiar with this plan or should receive an induction, including as a minimum:
- Confirmation that smoking is not allowed on site, other than the designated smoking area;
 - How the alarm is raised in the event of a fire;
 - Location of fire alarms and fire assembly points;
 - Any specific precautions relating to their particular work.
- 2.1.6 The plan will be shared with the local Fire and Rescue Service to facilitate their understanding of site operations. The plan will be made available to them when they attend an incident on site. It may also be shared during any routine visits or discussions regarding fire prevention.

3 TESTING THE PLAN

- 3.1.1 Fire evacuation procedures will be tested by carrying out a fire drill twice a year.
- 3.1.2 A wider exercise will be carried out once a year, providing refresher training on preventing fires and ensuring staff know how to respond in the event of a fire.
- 3.1.3 For a number of staff this annual refresher will include training on the proper use of fire extinguishers.

4 WASTE TYPES

4.1 *General (Non-Combustible Wastes)*

4.1.1 The waste types to be accepted to the Site comprise of largely inert construction and demolition wastes including soils, stones, concrete, bricks, sands and clays. These waste types are inert and not combustible.

4.1.2 Where wastes accepted for storage and treatment are hazardous, for example contaminated soils from brownfield sites, these fall outside of the scope of the Fire Prevention Plan guidance.

4.2 *Combustible Wastes - Street Cleaning Residues*

4.2.1 RIG are seeking to include street cleaning residues (EWC code 20 03 03) which may include small incidental fractions of wood and plastic. RIG's state of the art wash plant will have the ability to treat and recycle this waste stream.

4.2.2 Street sweepings (also known as street cleansing materials) may contain fractions of leaves, grit, litter, glass, oils, paper, plastics, and cans. They may contain heavy metals, other contaminants (e.g. road salt) and have high leachable organic content.

4.2.3 The storage location of the street cleaning residues is shown on drawing NT16773-001.

4.3 *Persistent Organic Pollutants*

4.3.1 The Site will not accept wastes contaminated with persistent organic pollutants (POPs) such as upholstery or WEEE.

4.4 *Other Combustible Materials*

4.4.1 Raw materials essential for the operation and maintenance of site plant and equipment will be stored on Site. This includes diesel, greases and lubricating oils and flocculant for use in the wash plant.

4.4.2 Table 4.1 below provides details of the raw materials to be stored and used on Site.

Table 4.1: Combustible Raw Materials Stored on Site

Raw Material	Typical Usage per Annum	Storage Volume and Storage Method	Use of Material
Diesel	12,800 litres	12,800 litre diesel storage tank	To operate plant and site vehicles
Greases and lubricating oils	200 litres	Drums with drip tray	Plant maintenance
Flocculant	500 litres	Containers stored on impermeable surfacing	Aid the settlement of solids in the wash plant process

4.4.3 The storage location of these raw materials is shown on drawing NT16773-001.

5 ACTIVITIES AT THE SITE

- 5.1.1 The main activity to be undertaken at the Site is soil washing, using a state-of-the-art wash plant to recover aggregates. Soil washing is a wet process and the risk of fire outbreak associated with the treatment of the waste is considered to be very low.
- 5.1.2 Wastes will be temporarily stored pending processing and treatment through the wash plant.

6 SENSITIVE RECEPTORS

6.1.1 The site is located at National Grid Reference (NGR) SW 72185 43281, approximately 1.5km south of Scorrier town and 2.4km northeast of Redruth town centre.

6.1.2 The site is located in a rural mining and agricultural setting, with the site bound to the:

- North by a recreational paintball site and Treskerby Road, and deciduous forest to the northeast;
- East by rural land;
- South by previous mine workings now turned into rural land; and
- West by rural land into residential homes, approximately 350 m from the site.

6.1.3 The nearest residential receptors are located to the west of the site off Treskerby Road, the nearest being approximately 250m from the Site boundary.

6.1.4 Sensitive receptors located within 2km of the Site are presented in Table 6.1, below. Additionally, the receptors within 2km are also presented on drawing NT16545-001.

Table 6.1: Sensitive receptors located within 2km of the Site boundary		
Type of Receptor	Receptor name	Location in respect to the Site Boundary
Residential	Properties in Treskerby	250m W
	Fourburrow Yard	445m E
	Fourburrow Cottage	485m E
	Four Barrow House	474m E
	Well House	389m E
	Woodfield House	489m NE
	Scorrier and Bryher House	498m NE
	Properties in St Day Civil Parish (nearest property: Orchard Cottage on Pink Moor road)	535 m SE
	Properties in Vogue (Nearest property: Vogue Farm)	712 m SSE
	Properties in Trefula (nearest property: Trefula Farm)	632 m S
	Properties in Higher Ninnis (nearest property: St Aubyn Farm)	974 m SSW
	Properties in Lower Ninnis (nearest property: Trecarne Farm)	874 m S

Table 6.1: Sensitive receptors located within 2km of the Site boundary		
Type of Receptor	Receptor name	Location in respect to the Site Boundary
	Properties in Tolcarne (nearest property: Chyan Gof off Brickworks Hill road)	989 m SE
	Properties in Lower Trevethan (nearest property: Laurel Cottage)	1471 m S
	Properties in Higher Trevethan (nearest property: Damsel Villa)	1640 m S
	Cathedral Farm	1663 m SSW
	Properties in Busveal (nearest property: Little Menhear Farm)	1145 m SSW
	Properties in Carharrack (nearest property: Meadowsweet)	1424 m S
	Chenhale Farm	1757 m SE
	Properties in Crofthandy (nearest property: Skyber Vean off the B3298)	1385 m SE
	Properties in Little Beside (nearest property: Little Beside House)	1234 m EES
	Properties in Tolgullow (nearest property: Treruffe)	722 m E
	Properties in Todpool (nearest property: Oakland House)	1386 m E
	Properties in Killifreth (nearest property: Killifreth Farm)	887 m NE
	Properties in Scorrier (nearest property: Scorrier House)	498 m NE
	Properties in Wheal Rose (nearest property: Govenek off Westway Road)	1298 m N
	Properties in North Downs (nearest property: Hawthorne Cottage off Radnor Road)	799 m NNW
	Properties in Radnor (nearest property: Higher Wheal Boys Farm Cottage)	1149 m NW
	Properties in Mount Ambrose (nearest property: House No. 1 off College Lane)	794 m W
	Grambler Farm	1788 m SW
Commercial	Scorrier House Workshops	477m NNE
	Tank Trax Activity Centre	448 NNW
	Fox and Hounds Inn	742 m NE
	The Little Massage Clinic	536 m NE

Table 6.1: Sensitive receptors located within 2km of the Site boundary		
Type of Receptor	Receptor name	Location in respect to the Site Boundary
	The Cornish Oven - Scorrier	589 m NW
	Treguth Glamping	1474 m SEE
	The Star Inn Vogue Limited	797 m S
	The Treleigh Arms	1732 m NWW
	Radnor Golf and Leisure	1230 m NW
	Globe Vale Holiday Park	1753 m NW
	Lansdowne Park Homes	1599 m N
	Engine House Cottages	1690 m N
	Smokey Joes Café	1536 NNE
	Prima Bakeries	1201 m N
	Dales Vauxhall, Scorrier	1051 m N
Industrial	Triplet Business Park	1442 m E
	Cardrew Industrial Estate	1361 m W
	Cardrew Trade Park	1708 m W
	Redruth Enterprise Park	945 m NNW
Infrastructure	Treskerby Road	275m W
	A3047	552 m N
	B3298	555 m N
	A30	760 m N
	Westway Road	1152 m N
	A393	937 m W
	St Day Road	689 m S
	High Street Road	1047 m SE
	Redruth Railway Line	607 m N
Other Sensitive Receptors	Trefula House Nursing Home	640m S
	Unity Wood	876 m NEE
	Scorrier Methodist Church	871 m N
	St Stephen's Church	1759 m W
	Treleigh Community Primary School	1641 m W
	Busveal Methodist Church	1431 m SSW
	St Day and Carharrack Community Primary School	1308 m SE

Type of Receptor	Receptor name	Location in respect to the Site Boundary
	St Day Holy Trinity Churches	1140 m SE
	St Day Methodist Church	898 m SE
Ponds or other perched water bodies	Treskerby Farm Pond	392m SW
	Vogue Farm Ponds	532 m S
Rivers, Streams and Drains	Drain between Ridgeway Barn and Willowford properties in Carharrack	1528 m SE

7 MANAGE COMMON CAUSES OF FIRE

7.1 General

7.1.1 The following sections describe how common causes of fire will be managed on Site, to prevent fires as far as possible.

7.2 Arson

7.2.1 The Site has suitable security measures in place to prevent access by unauthorised persons. This includes fencing and gating.

7.2.2 The Site benefits from CCTV with 24-hour access to coverage, with emergency response in place should the need arise.

7.2.3 A security company has been engaged to periodically inspect the site during out-of-hours.

7.3 Plant and Equipment

7.3.1 All plant will be inspected and maintained in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations. Damaged plant will be taken out of use until it has been repaired by a competent person.

7.3.2 Plant will be cleaned as necessary, to prevent build-up of waste on hot surfaces.

7.4 Electrical Faults

7.4.1 Any electrical works will be carried out by a qualified electrician. All electrical installations will be certified to demonstrate that they were installed correctly by a competent person. This also applies to repairs and alterations.

7.4.2 Copies of the certificates will be maintained in the Site office.

7.4.3 Plant will be maintained in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations with the frequency set out in the Preventative Maintenance Programme for the Site.

7.4.4 Electrical installations such as wiring will be subject to safety checks every five years, any portable appliances will be checked annually.

7.4.5 Staff trained to use the equipment will make a visual inspection at the start of the working day. Where there are loose or damaged wires or other indications that the plant may be unsafe to use, the Site manager will be advised and an electrician will be asked to attend Site and check the equipment before it is turned on.

7.5 **Discarded Smoking Materials**

7.5.1 A strict no smoking policy will be applied at the Site. Smoking will only be permitted in the designated smoking area. Within this area ashtrays will be provided to ensure that materials can be extinguished safely, and litter will be prevented.

7.5.2 There must be no smoking in any other part of the Site.

7.6 **Hot Works**

7.6.1 Hot works will include activities such as cutting and welding which may occur on an occasional basis as part of the maintenance of the plant and buildings. Hot works are not expected to be required frequently, but where they are needed a safe system of working will be in place.

7.6.2 A permit to work will be required for all hot works. Before this is issued a safe system of work must be prepared and provided to the Site manager. This must include ensuring that all combustible waste is cleared from the area where work is required. Works must not take place within 2m of any stored street cleaning wastes. Where appropriate the distance may need to be increased or appropriate screens may be required to contain sparks.

7.6.3 During and following the works a fire watch should be in place to ensure that no wastes or other materials have ignited. This should take place as a minimum at the end of the works and following one hour.

7.7 **Industrial Heaters**

7.7.1 If it is necessary to use heaters, to maintain the welfare of staff, these will be used with care.

7.7.2 Heaters will only be used in the Site office, away from any waste.

7.7.3 Heaters will be maintained in line with the manufacturer's recommendations.

7.7.4 Any litter will be removed from around the heater during the working day as required and dust will not be allowed to build up on any hot surfaces.

7.7.5 The heaters will be included in the end of the day checks to ensure they are switched off and clear of any litter.

7.8 Hot Exhausts

7.8.1 Plant and equipment will be monitored during the working day to ensure there is no fire risk from dust or litter building up on hot surfaces. Where necessary machinery will be switched off and allowed to cool before removing dust and debris.

7.8.2 As far as possible plant employed on site will be fitted with angled exhausts to minimise the opportunity for dust or litter to gather on the exhaust.

7.8.3 When not in use, plant will be switched off and mobile plant will be parked at least 6m away from the street cleaning residue storage area.

7.8.4 Plans will be cleaned and maintained as appropriate to minimise the risk of fire.

7.8.5 At the end of the working day a fire watch will be carried out. Plant will be inspected when it is switched off.

7.9 Batteries and Small WEEE

7.9.1 Batteries and Small WEEE will not be accepted on Site.

7.9.2 The Site will operate in accordance with strict Waste Acceptance Procedures to ensure erroneous waste streams are not accepted.

7.9.3 Given the nature of the wastes RIG will be accepted to Site (e.g. construction and demolition wastes, soils), the presence of batteries and Small WEEE is very unlikely.

7.9.4 If, in the unlikely event that batteries or small WEEE are identified within a waste load which has been accepted, these will be manually picked out of the waste and segregated and taken off site and sent to a suitably licenced facility.

7.10 Leaks and Spills of Oils and Fuels

7.10.1 Oils and fuels will be stored in appropriate containers with bunding provided. Oils for plant maintenance will be stored in a dedicated area.

- 7.10.2 Diesel will be stored in specifically designed tank on impermeable surfacing.
- 7.10.3 Plant will be properly maintained to avoid any leaks or spills. Plant will be subject to frequent visual inspection at the start of the working day. Any leaks identified will be investigated and appropriate repairs made as soon as possible.
- 7.10.4 Should a spill or leak of a flammable liquid occur, this will be cleared using a suitable absorbent material as soon as possible. The used absorbent material will be placed in a suitable container and sent for off-site disposal.

7.11 **Reactions Between Wastes**

- 7.11.1 RIG have designed their operational procedures to ensure that there will be no mixing or cross contamination between inert/non-hazardous wastes and potentially contaminated wastes (e.g. soils from brownfield sites).
- 7.11.2 Waste acceptance procedures are in place to ensure only permitted wastes are received. As such, no incompatible wastes will be accepted on site and no reactions between wastes are expected.

7.12 **Hot Loads**

- 7.12.1 Waste will be inspected on arrival at Site, to ensure that they are in line with permit conditions and can be stored safely.
- 7.12.2 It is very unlikely that a hot load may be received, as most of the waste to be accepted is inert in nature.
- 7.12.3 However, should there be signs that a hot load has been received, e.g. visible smoke, heat or steam or the waste feels hot, then it will be directed to the quarantine area. Waste will be spread within the quarantine area to allow it to cool. It will then be moved to the reception bay if it is safe and appropriate to do so.
- 7.12.4 If a fire has taken hold, the fire will be extinguished within the quarantine bay and arrangements will be taken to dispose of the residues at a suitably licenced facility.

7.13 **Hot and Dry Weather**

7.13.1 Hot and dry weather is not expected to cause an issue regarding fire risk. All of the street cleaning residues will be stored under cover providing some shelter from the sun.

7.13.2 It is envisaged that the street cleaning residues will be stored for no longer than two weeks prior to being treated through the wash plant.

8 PREVENT SELF-COMBUSTION

- 8.1.1 The main mechanism for preventing self combustion will be the management of storage times and the volumes in which they are stored. The intention will be to treat the street cleaning residues as quickly as possible.
- 8.1.2 The maximum storage time of the street cleaning residues prior to treatment in the wash plant is expected to be two weeks. The maximum volume of street cleaning wastes that might be stored is 30m³ so the potential for self combustion is very limited..
- 8.1.3 The operating procedures have been designed so that the wash plant operates on either a hazardous or inert/non-hazardous cycle. Stree cleaning residues would be treated with a suitable load.

9 MANAGEMENT OF WASTE STOCKPILES

9.1.1 Street cleaning residues will be stored in one pile, which will not exceed more than 4m in height which will prevent the spread of fire.

9.1.2 The storage capacity and time is summaries in Table 9.1 below.

Table 9.1: Combustible Waste Storage Capacities and Times					
Combustible Waste Stream	How it is stored	Maximum (m ³)	Volume	Maximum storage time	
Street cleaning residues	Dedicated bay within the hazardous waste storage building	30 ^a		2 weeks	
Notes					
a) Composition of the material may vary, volume is calculated based on a 1650kg/m ³ density. It is expected that up to 50 tonnes of the material will be stored at any one time.					

9.1.3 Stored street cleaning residues will be checked regularly throughout the working day, to ensure waste is stored in a confined area to minimise the risk of any fire spreading.

10 PREVENTING FIRE SPREADING

10.1.1 The risk of fire spreading will be minimised by limiting the volume of stored wastes and the storage times. There is only one combustible waste stream to be accepted to the site, and the other waste streams are inert in nature.

10.1.2 Fuels will be stored at least 6m away from waste.

10.1.3 When mobile plant is not in use it will be parked at least 6m away from the waste.

11 QUARANTINE AREA

11.1.1 The quarantine area is located outside on the impermeable concrete pad in which the wash plant is located, as shown on drawing NT16773-001.

11.1.2 The quarantine area is required to hold 50% of the largest waste pile on site. The only waste type which this Fire Prevention Plan pertains to is the street cleaning residues, which will be 30m³. The quarantine area will need to be able to hold 15m³ and therefore the dimensions required are 5m x 3m.

11.1.3 A minimum of 6m separation distance will be kept around the quarantined waste.

11.1.4 In the event that the quarantine pad is used, and if burning waste is extinguished, any firewater would drain to the hazardous waste water attenuation pond shown in orange on drawing NT16773-001.

12 FIRE DETECTION

12.1.1 Staff will remain vigilant and a fire watch will take place during and following any hot works and at the end of the working day.

12.1.2 Given the low risk of fire presented from the waste stream and the relatively low volumes and short storage times, temperature monitoring (e.g. using a temperature probe into the waste pile) is not considered necessary.

13 SUPPRESSION SYSTEMS

- 13.1.1 A fire suppression system may not fully extinguish a fire, but it may prevent a fire spreading and provide greater opportunity for the Fire and Rescue Service to intervene.
- 13.1.2 Due to the site being manned during the day and the low risk presented from the storage of the street cleaning residues, an automated fire suppression system isn't considered to be required. Instead a manual suppression system will be utilised in the event of a fire breakout.
- 13.1.3 The manual suppression measures comprise of the use of fire extinguishers and where appropriate a hose reel.
- 13.1.4 Fire extinguishers will be located in accessible points. Staff will be made aware of the locations of the fire extinguisher in the event that their use is required.

14 ACTIVE FIRE FIGHTING

14.1.1 A suitably trained member of staff will act as fire warden and will give a lead in managing any incident involving a fire. The priority will always be to ensure personal safety and to ensure the building is evacuated and staff are protected.

14.1.2 Active firefighting may also be employed if it is safe to do so. Fire extinguishers will be located in accessible locations.

14.1.3 Fire extinguishers will be used only by staff trained in their proper use.

14.1.4 Where it is safe to do so, the fire extinguishers will be deployed to extinguish small fires.

15 WATER SUPPLY

15.1.1 The firewater requirement has been calculated using the methodology set out in Table 15.1 below.

Table 15.1: Firewater Supply Calculations			
Maximum Waste Pile Size (m ³)	Water supply needed (litres/minute)	Overall water supply for 3 hours in litres	Required Water Supply
30	$30 \times 6.67 = 200$	$200 \times 180 = 36,000$	36,000

15.1.2 Firewater will be supplied from the clean water attenuation pond located to the south of the site, shown in blue on drawing NT16913-001. This pond has been designed to hold approximately 1,350m³. Even in the event the pond is not full, less than 3% of the pond water would be required to be used (36m³).

16 MANAGING FIRE WATER

- 16.1.1 The street cleaning residues will be stored within the hazardous waste storage shed, and they will be separated from the other waste by a bay wall. The hazardous waste storage shed comprises its own designated sealed drainage system, as shown in Appendix 1.
- 16.1.2 In the event of a fire outbreak within the shed, fire water will be contained within the sealed drainage system. Firewater (36m^3) would be contained within the shed which is a three-sided structure and on the open aperture will be a sleeping policeman. The design of the shed is shown in Appendix 1.
- 16.1.3 The building has an impermeable concrete floor which is designed to drain towards a sealed sump. The sump will have a capacity of 14.31m^3 (2.7m in diameter and 2.5m deep).
- 16.1.4 The remaining water will be held within the footprint of the shed. The footprint of the shed is 20m by 10m. There is a sleeping policeman/speed bump at the open aperture of the shed, which is 0.09m high. Therefore the shed will contain 18m^3 . It is estimated that 90% of the building floor will be available to hold fire water, taking into account the bay wall which provides 16.2m^3 .
- 16.1.5 The total volume of fire water contained with the sump and the floor of the building is 30.5m^3 .
- 16.1.6 As the water hits the hot waste, it is expected that a minimum of 25% of the water will be evaporated. A further 12% would be absorbed into the waste. Therefore, if 36m^3 is used for firefighting, 22.68m^3 would need to be contained if a fire were to break out whilst the waste is being stored in the waste storage shed.

17 DURING AND AFTER AN INCIDENT

17.1 Dealing with Issues During a Fire

17.1.1 In the event of a fire, the fire warden will ensure the building has been evacuated safely and liaise with the Fire and Rescue Service to aid safe access for firefighting. They will keep the Site Manger informed of what is happening.

17.1.2 The Site Manager will contact the Environment Agency to advise them of the fire.

17.1.3 No further waste will be accepted on Site. Customers will be contacted and will be directed to another permitted facility.

17.1.4 The Site will remain closed until the residues have been cleared, the shed has been made safe and plant has been repaired or replaced as needed.

17.2 Notifying Residents and Businesses

17.2.1 Should it be necessary to contact local residents in the event of an emergency, a list of telephone numbers will be maintained securely in the Site office. A call will be made to nearby residents where they need to take precautions due to an incident on Site.

17.3 Clearing and Decontamination After a Fire

17.3.1 A building inspection will be made by a competent engineer to determine whether the building is safe and appropriate repairs will be scheduled.

17.3.2 Firewater will be tested to determine levels of contamination and arrangements will be made for it to be collected by tanker and disposed of at a suitably licenced facility.

17.3.3 Residues may remain in place for a short time whilst the site is made safe and any required investigation into the cause of the fire is carried out.

17.3.4 Once it is safe to do so, residues will be removed and appropriately disposed of and the site will be cleaned.

17.4 Making the Site Operational After a Fire

17.4.1 Once the Site is made safe and firewater has been cleared, plant and equipment will be inspected by a qualified engineer and arrangements will be made to repair or replace as necessary.

17.4.2 The building will be opened to waste deliveries once it is safe, residues have been cleared and plant and infrastructure has been repaired to the extent that waste can be received and managed without risk to the environment.

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