

Notice of request for more information

The Environmental Permitting (England & Wales) Regulations 2016

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Application number: EA/EPR/XP3005LB/V002

The Environment Agency, in exercise of its powers under paragraph 4 of Part 1 of Schedule 5 of the above Regulations, requires you to provide the information detailed in the attached schedule. The information is required in order to determine your application for a permit duly made on 10/08/2021.

Send the information to either the email(s) or postal address below by **18/11/2022**. If we do not receive this information by the date specified then we may treat your application as having been withdrawn or it may be refused. If this happens you may lose your application fee.

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Authorised on behalf of the Environment Agency

Notes

These notes do not form part of this notice.

Please note that we charge £1,200 where we have to send a third or subsequent information notice in relation to the same issue. We consider this to be the first notice on the issues covered in this notice.

The notes in italics that appear after information requests in the attached schedule do not form part of the notice. The notes are intended to assist you in providing a full response.

Background

Having consulted with our Air Quality Specialists on the provided odour modelling and revised Odour Impact Assessment, it was concluded that the uncertainties (of the modelling) are likely to be sufficiently high such that, based on the modelling, we cannot rule out a significant impact. Therefore, the focus of this second Schedule 5 is on further on-site practices and mitigation measures rather than inputs / outputs of modelling.

Schedule

1. Provide clarity as to whether it is possible to manage vehicles coming onto site in a manner which prevents the need for queuing outside of the reception hall to the extent described in the revised Odour Management Plan (OMP) v2.2. It is stated in the revised OMP that once the limit of 14 vehicles queuing for the Tipping Hall has been reached, vehicles will be turned away. It is not clear why vehicles can't be turned away before the proposed limit of 14 is reached. Provide information on what further can be done to reduce the number of vehicles queuing on site.
2. Location B is in close proximity to residential receptors DR-1 and DR-2 as described within the Odour Impact Assessment. It is considered, given the proximity to residential receptors and layout of the site, vehicles present in location B present a higher risk of creating an odour nuisance when compared to location A and the Tipping Hall ramp. If the response to Question 1 doesn't already mean that the use of location B will no longer be necessary, provide information on:
 - a. what other solutions there are instead of using location B, for example the use of a location onsite further away from residential receptors; or
 - b. provide details of further mitigation measures that could be used to afford greater protection to residential receptors DR-1 and DR-2, for example only sealed vehicles allowed to queue in this location or only storing demonstrably low odour waste types in this location.
3. Taking into account your responses to questions 1 and 2, provide information on what actions will be taken by the site in case of an odour issue arising as a result of any vehicles being parked outside of the Tipping Hall. This should include but not necessarily be limited to the use of sealed trailers for waste coming onto site and a further reduction in vehicles waiting outside of the tipping hall.