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From: PSC Land
Sent: 04 October 2021 14:22
To: 'Greg Altria'
Cc: 'Aleks Dragicevic'; 'Maria Francis'
Subject: Receipt of application - EPR/XP3005LB/V002



Dear Mr Altria

Environmental permitting application

Application Reference: EPR/XP3005LB/V002
Operator: Viridor Energy Limited
Facility: Runcorn Energy from Waste Facility

Thank you for your application received **10 August 2021**. The application fee of £11,065.00 was received **11 August 2021**.

What happens next?

Duly made checks

We will check your application to make sure it is complete and that any payment is correct. When we are happy we have the information to begin to assess the application and decide whether or not to grant it, we say it is 'duly made'.

If we need any more information from you before we can complete our checks the application is not duly made. We will let you know about this by email or letter and tell you what we need from you.

If we are still unable to progress your application any further, we will have to return it to you. Please note that we will retain part of your application charge where we have spent time reviewing your application and requesting information. Further details can be found in our Charging Scheme:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/environmental-permitting-charging-scheme>

When we decide that your application is duly made we will confirm this by email or letter.

Dealing with the impact of COVID-19

We are following Government advice to manage the risks of Coronavirus to our organisation, to protect the health, safety and wellbeing of our staff and sustain our critical operations.

We are doing all we can to maintain our service, however it may take us longer than usual to respond to you.

Our current queues are large and we are taking longer than usual to allocate work for duly made checks. The table below shows our estimated queue times by application type. Please note, this is based on our average times and some applications may be picked up before or after the timescales listed below.

Application type	Estimated time to allocation
New bespoke	14-18 weeks
New standard rules	16-20 weeks
Admin variation	2-4 weeks

Minor variation	13-17 weeks
Normal variation	17-19 weeks
Substantial variation	14-18 weeks
Transfer	7-11 weeks
Surrender	17-21 weeks
Intensive Farming new bespoke	14-18 weeks
Intensive Farming admin variation	12-16 weeks
Intensive Farming normal variation	15-19 weeks
Intensive Farming substantial variation	18-22 weeks
Intensive Farming transfer	22-26 weeks
Intensive Farming surrender	6-10 weeks

A Permitting Officer will contact you as soon as your application has been allocated.

If you have any questions at this stage please contact the National Customer Contact Centre on 03708 506 506 or email us at psc@environment-agency.gov.uk.

Charging

Our charging scheme was changed in **April 2019**, the main changes were;

- Expansion of when we can charge for consulting with Natural England
- Expansion of activity categories under Waste installations codes 1.16.1 and 1.16.2.
- One fee at multi activity sites for transfer or surrender
- Change in how we calculate low-risk surrender charges

If your application was for any of the above please double check that you have enclosed the correct fee. This will help to reduce any delay at duly making. Please also remember that we have a pre-app service to support you with your application, which for basic information is free and available via this link <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/environmental-permit-pre-application-advice-form>

Consultation

If your application goes out for external consultation we use an online consultation tool where we will add all application documents.

Determination

The officer responsible for determining your application will contact you when they begin this work. They will be your main contact during the determination stage.

For more complex applications the officer may need to ask you for further information before they can complete their assessment. Unless the information can easily be obtained by a phone conversation or exchange of emails they will send you a notice explaining what they need.

If you have had enhanced pre application advice, please ensure your fees are paid.

Yours sincerely

Annette Morton

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