

## NON-TECHNICAL SUMMARY

The Recycling Centre, Abbotsfield Road, St Helens, Merseyside, WA9 4HU

**St Helens Waste Recycling Ltd**

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# **1 Introduction**

## **1.1 General**

- 1.1.1 Oaktree Environmental Ltd have been instructed to prepare this Non-Technical Summary (NTS) on behalf of St Helens Waste Recycling Ltd (the operator) to support a permit variation application for Environmental Permit (EP) Ref. EPR/ DB3637WG (EP).
- 1.1.2 The site previously operated under a SR2008No3 EP which was issued on 18/11/2011 but following the withdrawal of this EP on 18/12/2024, the current EP is a SR2022No4 EP - non-hazardous waste recycling with asbestos, hazardous batteries, cable and WEEE storage which in summary authorises the transfer, storage and treatment household, commercial & industrial (HCl) waste.
- 1.1.3 The site is situated at The Recycling Centre, Abbotsfield Road, St Helens, Merseyside, WA9 4HU.
- 1.1.4 The operator is seeking to vary the Standard Rules Permit (SRP) to a Bespoke Permit (BP) following the withdrawal of the SR2008No3 as shown in Section 2.

## **2 Application Proposals**

### **2.1 Variation Proposals**

2.1.1 The operator is seeking to vary the current SRP to a BP following withdrawal of the EP on 18/12/2024.

2.1.2 The SR2022No4 has a number of operating techniques which the operator can no longer comply with which include the following:

- i) The operator cannot fully enclose the current waste transfer building which is open fronted
- ii) The site cannot store and handle all waste listed in Table 2.3a of the SR2022No4 inside an enclosed building
- iii) The site stores containers of waste externally, these cannot be continually be covered or stored inside an enclosed building
- iv) The site does not wish to accept any hazardous waste into the facility and the operator only has a non-hazardous technical competence
- v) The site does not require a throughput of <75,000 tonnes per annum (tpa) and it is proposed to reduce this to <25,000 tpa

2.1.3 It is proposed the following activities will be undertaken on site for the HCl operations:

- a) Sorting (by hand or machinery i.e. loading shovels or excavators).
- b) Storage (prior to removal).

2.1.4 The site will not mechanically treat any waste on site.

2.1.5 All wastes with the exception of non-hazardous inert material will be stored and treated on an impermeable surface with sealed drainage. Wastes will be stored in accordance with the locations and quantities illustrated on Drawing No. ABB/1855/03.

2.1.6 There are no proposed changes to the permit boundary.

## 2.2 Proposed EWC Codes

2.2.1 There are no changes proposed to the list of EWC codes authorised to be accepted at the site. The following EWC codes in Table 1 are proposed to be included in the permit.

Table 1 – Proposed EWC codes –Non-hazardous waste transfer station

Waste Code	Description
01	WASTES RESULTING FROM EXPLORATION, MINING, QUARRYING, AND PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL TREATMENT OF MINERALS
01 04	wastes from physical and chemical processing of non-metalliferous minerals
01 04 08	waste gravel and crushed rocks other than those mentioned in 01 04 07
01 04 09	waste sand and clays
02	WASTES FROM AGRICULTURE, HORTICULTURE, AQUACULTURE, FORESTRY, HUNTING AND FISHING, FOOD PREPARATION AND PROCESSING
02 01	wastes from agriculture, horticulture, aquaculture, forestry, hunting and fishing
02 01 03	plant-tissue waste
02 01 04	waste plastics (except packaging)
02 01 07	wastes from forestry
02 01 10	waste metal
03	WASTES FROM WOOD PROCESSING AND THE PRODUCTION OF PANELS AND FURNITURE PULP, PAPER, AND CARDBOARD
03 01	wastes from wood processing and the production of panels and furniture
03 01 01	waste bark and cork
03 01 05	sawdust, shavings, cuttings, wood, particle board and veneer other than those mentioned in 03 01 04
03 03	wastes from pulp, paper and cardboard production and processing
03 03 01	waste bark and wood
03 03 07	mechanically separated rejects from pulping of waste paper and cardboard
03 03 08	wastes from sorting of paper and cardboard destined for recycling
04 02 22	wastes from processed textile fibres
07	WASTES FROM ORGANIC CHEMICAL PROCESSES
07 02	wastes from the MFSU of plastics, synthetic rubber and man-made fibres
07 02 13	waste plastic
10	WASTES FROM THERMAL PROCESSES
10 02	wastes from the iron and steel industry
10 02 01	wastes from the processing of slag
10 02 02	unprocessed slag
10 02 10	mill scales
10 11	wastes from the manufacture of glass and glass products
10 11 03	waste glass-based fibrous material
10 11 10	waste preparation mixture before thermal processing, other than those mentioned in 10 11 09
10 11 12	waste glass other than those mentioned in 10 11 11
10 12	wastes from the manufacture of ceramic goods, bricks, tiles, and construction products
10 12 01	waste preparation mixture before thermal processing
10 12 06	discarded moulds
10 12 08	waste ceramics, bricks, tiles, and construction products (after thermal processing)
10 12 12	wastes from glazing other than those mentioned in 10 12 11
15	WASTE PACKAGING: ABSORBENTS, WIPING CLOTHS, FILTER MATERIALS AND PROTECTIVE CLOTHING NOT OTHERWISE SPECIFIED

15 01	packaging (including separately collected municipal packaging waste)
15 01 01	paper and cardboard packaging
15 01 02	plastic packaging
15 01 03	wooden packaging
15 01 04	metallic packaging
15 01 05	composite packaging
15 01 06	mixed packaging
15 01 07	glass packaging
15 01 09	textile packaging
15 02	absorbents, filter materials, wiping cloths and protective clothing
15 02 03	absorbents, filter materials, wiping cloths, protective clothing other than those mentioned in 15 02 02
<b>17</b>	<b>CONSTRUCTION AND DEMOLITION WASTES (INCLUDING EXCAVATED SOIL FROM CONTAMINATED SITES)</b>
17 01	concrete, bricks, tiles, and ceramics
17 01 01	concrete
17 01 02	bricks
17 01 03	tiles and ceramics
17 01 07	mixture of concrete, bricks, tiles, and ceramics other than those mentioned in 17 01 06
17 02	wood, glass and plastic
17 02 01	wood
17 02 02	glass
17 02 03	plastic
17 03	bituminous mixtures, coal tar and tarred products
17 03 02	Road base and road planings (other than those containing coal tar) only
17 04	metals (including their alloys)
17 04 01	copper, bronze, brass
17 04 02	aluminium
17 04 03	lead
17 04 04	zinc
17 04 05	iron and steel
17 04 06	tin
17 04 07	mixed metals
17 04 11	cables other than those mentioned in 17 04 10
17 05	soil (including excavated soil from contaminated sites), stones and dredging spoil
17 05 04	soil and stones other than those mentioned in 17 05 03
17 05 06	Dredging soil other than those mentioned in 15 05 05
17 05 08	track ballast other than those mentioned in 17 05 07
17 06	Insulation materials and asbestos-containing construction materials
17 06 04	Insulation materials other than those mentioned in 17 06 01 and 17 06 03
17 08	gypsum-based construction materials
17 08 02	gypsum-based construction materials other than those mentioned in 17 08 01
17 09	other construction and demolition wastes
17 09 04	mixed construction and demolition waste other than those mentioned in 17 09 01, 17 09 02 and 17 09 03
17 09 04	mixtures of soil, bricks, stones and concrete
<b>19</b>	<b>WASTES FROM WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITIES, OFF-SITE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANTS AND THE PREPARATION OF WATER INTENDED FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION AND WATER FOR INDUSTRIAL USE</b>
19 08	Wastes from wastewater treatment plants not otherwise specified
19 08 01	screenings
19 08 02	waste from desanding
19 12	wastes from the mechanical treatment of waste (for example sorting, crushing, compacting, pelletising) not otherwise specified
19 12 01	paper and cardboard

19 12 02	ferrous metal
19 12 03	non-ferrous metal
19 12 04	plastic and rubber
19 12 05	glass
19 12 07	wood other than that mentioned in 19 12 06
19 12 08	textiles
19 12 09	minerals (for example sands, stones)
19 12 10	combustible waste (refuse derived fuel)
19 12 12	combustible wastes
19 12 12	mixtures of paper, cardboard, plastic glass and metal and other non-hazardous wastes from the processing of dry mixed recyclable and source segregated recyclable waste
19 12 12	other wastes (including mixtures of materials comprising non-hazardous residual waste from waste management facilities - EWC chapters 15, 17 and 20 coded non-hazardous household, commercial, industrial or municipal waste other than those mentioned in 19 12 11)
19 12 12	Other wastes (residual waste not containing hazardous substances from waste management facilities - EWC chapters 17 01 01, 17 01 02, 17 01 03, 17 01 07, 17 05 04, 17 09 04, 20 02 02 only and other than those mentioned in 19 12 11).
<b>20</b>	<b>MUNICIPAL WASTES (HOUSEHOLD WASTE AND SIMILAR COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL AND INSTITUTIONAL WASTES) INCLUDING SEPARATELY COLLECTED FRACTIONS</b>
20 01	separately collected fractions (except 15 01)
20 01 01	paper and cardboard
20 01 02	glass
20 01 10	clothes
20 01 11	textiles
20 01 36	discarded electrical and electronic equipment other than those mentioned in 20 01 21, 20 01 23 and 20 01 35
20 01 38	wood other than mentioned in 20 01 37
20 01 39	plastics
20 01 40	metals
20 02	garden and park wastes (including cemetery waste)
20 02 01	biodegradable waste
20 02 02	soil and stones
20 03	other municipal wastes
20 03 01	mixed municipal waste

## 2.3 Limits of Activities

2.3.1 The limits of activities for each operation are set out in Table 2 & 3 below:

Table 2 -Proposed limit of activities – Waste transfer

TABLE S1.1 activities		
Activity reference	Description of activities for waste operations	Limits of activities
AR1 – Waste Transfer	R3: Recycling/reclamation of organic substances which are not used as solvents  R4: Recycling/reclamation of metals and metal compounds  R5: Recycling/reclamation of other inorganic materials  D9: Physico-chemical treatment of waste for disposal.  D14: Repackaging prior to submission to any of the operations numbered D1 to 13.	The activities are limited to the operation of a waste transfer station.  Treatment activities are limited to bulking up for disposal or recovery, manual sorting and manual separation only.  The activities are limited as follows:  - no more than 25,000 tonnes of waste shall be accepted per year  - no more than 5,000 tonnes of wastes shall be stored at any one time

Table 3 -Proposed limit of activities – Waste storage

TABLE S1.1 activities		
Activity reference	Description of activities for waste operations	Limits of activities
AR2 – Waste Storage	R13: Storage of wastes pending any of the operations numbered R1 to R12 (excluding temporary storage, pending collection, on the site where it is produced).  D15: Storage pending any of the operations numbered D1 to D14 (excluding temporary storage, pending collection, on the site where it is produced).	No more than a total of 10 tonnes of whole end of life tyres shall be stored at any time.  Waste shall not be stored for longer than 6 months.  Combustible waste shall not be stored for longer than 3 months.

### **3 Documentation and Fees**

#### **3.1 Application fee**

3.1.1 Table 4 sets out the fees required for the application.

**Table 4 – Base Application Fee**

EPR Charging Scheme Ref	EPR Charging Scheme Ref & Description	Type of application	Fee
1.16.6	Household, commercial and industrial waste transfer station; includes assessment of fire prevention plan and odour management plan.	Substantial variation	£8,258.00
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>£8,258.00</b>

#### **3.2 Other fees**

3.2.1 Table 5 sets out the documentation to be submitted with this application:

**Table 5 – Additional Application Fees - Charges for plans and assessments**

General	Consideration	Document & Ref	Fee
Forms Part A, C2, C4 & F1	Mandatory	N/A	N/A
Evidence of technical competence	Mandatory	ABB-1855-G	N/A
Environmental Management System	Mandatory	ABB-1855-A	N/A
Fire Prevention Plan	Mandatory	ABB-1855-B	N/A
Emissions Management Plan	N/A	N/A	N/A
Odour Management Plan	Mandatory	ABB-1855-F	N/A
Noise & Vibration Management Plan	N/A – no mechanical treatment of waste	N/A	N/A
Pests Management Plan	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>£0</b>

### **3.3 Document references**

3.3.1 Table 6 below summarises which parts of the application forms request the above documentation which would normally be completed in Application Form Part F1; Section 6.

**Table 6 – Application Form Reference Table**

Application Form	Question Ref	Document Ref
Part C2	2b & Table 1	ABB-1855-C
Part C2	3	ABB-1855-G
Part C2	3d	ABB-1855-A
Part C2	5a	ABB/1855/01, ABB/1855/02, ABB-1855/03, ABB-1855/04 – also found in Appendices of main documentation
Part C2	5d & 5e	ABB-1855-B
Part C2	6	ABB-1855-G
Part C2	6c	ABB-1855-B
Part C4	1 & Table 1a	ABB-1855-C
Part C4	Table 3B	ABB-1855-F
Part C4	4a	ABB-1855-F

### **3.4 Directors' details**

3.4.1 Table 7 below provides details of directors and company secretaries.

**Table 7- Director details**

Name	Date of Birth	Position
David Kelly		Director