Environment Agency

EPR Compliance Assessment Report

Report ID: 61563/0346304

This form will report compliance with your permit as determined by an Environment Agency officer								
Site	Grange Landfill			Permit Ref	61563			
Operator/ Permit holder	Grange Landfill Limi							
Date	18/11/2019			Time in	10:30	Out	12:30	
What parts of the permit were assessed	See below							
Assessment	Site Inspection	EPR Activity:	Installation	Waste Op X Water D		er Disch	narge	
Recipient's name/position	Robert Couldwell							
Officer's name	Roy Thompson, Robert Couldwell & Nigel Hancock			Date issued	21/11/2019			

Section 1 - Compliance Assessment Summary

This is based on the requirements of the permit under the Environmental Permitting Regulations (EPR). A detailed explanation and any action you may need to take are given in the "Detailed Assessment of Compliance" (section 3). This summary details where we believe any non-compliance with the permit has occurred, the relevant condition and how the non-compliance has been categorised using our <u>Compliance Classification Scheme</u> (CCS). CCS scores can be consolidated or suspended, where appropriate, to reflect the impact of some non-compliances more accurately. For more details of our CCS scheme, contact your <u>local office.</u>

Permit Conditions and Com	Condition(s) breached		
a) Permitted activities	1. Specified by permit	Ν	
b) Infrastructure	1. Engineering for prevention & control of pollution	Ν	
	2. Closure & decommissioning	Ν	
	3. Site drainage engineering (dean & foul)	Ν	
	4. Containment of stored materials	Ν	
	5. Plant and equipment	Ν	
c) General management	1. Staff competency/ training	Ν	
	2. Management system & operating procedures	Ν	
	3. Materials acceptance	Ν	
	4. Storage handling, labelling, segregation	Ν	
d) Incident management	1. Site security	Ν	
	2. Accident, emergency & incident planning	N	
e) Emissions	1. Air	Ν	
	2. Land & Groundwater	Ν	
	3. Surface water	Ν	
	4. Sewer	Ν	
	5. Waste	Ν	
f) Amenity	1. Odour	А	
	2. Noise	А	
	3. Dust/fibres/particulates & litter	А	
	4. Pests, birds & scavengers	Α	
	5. Deposits on road	N	
g) Monitoring and records,	1. Monitoring of emissions & environment	N	
maintenance and reporting	2. Records of activity, site diary, journal & events	Ν	
	3. Maintenance records	Ν	
	4. Reporting & notification	N	
h) Resource efficiency	1. Efficient use of raw materials	N	
	2. Energy	N	i l

MSA, **MSB**, **TCM** = Management System condition A, Management System Condition B and Technically Competent Manager condition which are environmental permit conditions from Part 3 ofs chedule 9 EPR (see notes in Section 5/6).

Number of breaches recorded		Total compliance score (see section 5 for scoring scheme)		
If the Total No Breaches is greater than zero, then please see Section 3 for details of our proposed enforcement response				

Section 2 – Compliance Assessment Report Detail

This section contains a report of our findings and will usually include information on:

- the part(s) of the permit that were assessed (e.g. maintenance, training, combustion plant, etc)
- where the type of assessment was 'Data Review' details of the report/results triggering the assessment
- > any non-compliances identified
- > any non-compliances with directly applicable legislation
- details of any multiple non-compliances

- information on the compliance score accrued inc. details of suspended or consolidated scores.
- details of advice given
- any other areas of concern
- > all actions requested
- any examples of good practice.
- a reference to photos taken

This report should be clear, comprehensive, unambiguous and normally completed within 14 days of an assessment.

Site inspection carried out in the presence of Robert Couldwell and Nigel Hancock (RMBC)

This was an announced site inspection.

Meeting arranged on site to discuss current activities taking place on site and talk through some of the concerns RMBC have relating to the activities on site and address some of the conditions within the 1958 planning permission in place, which need to be considered.

Both Robert and Nigel discussed the parcel of land adjacent to the site entrance, Robert explained this area is currently being utilised to allow vehicles to turn around, until such time as an access road and turning circle can be installed on site. It was explained to Nigel that the Environment Agency has no regulatory powers relating to vehicle access beyond the site boundary and therefore any issues relating to potential trespass are a matter purely for RMBC and Grange Landfill Limited.

Work has commenced on site constructing new haul road around the site. Due to the wet weather conditions this work has stopped. Robert confirmed to Nigel that the secure compound will be constructed that will also contain a welfare unit for site operatives working on site.

Nigel discussed the issue of overtipping in Phase 1 which as it stands will result in a bench having to be installed on the northern flank between Phases 1 & 2. Advised Robert that might be beneficial if a topographical survey is undertaken on Phase 1 to assess whether final levels have reduced in line with levels agreed in the planning permission as a result of consolidation.

Nigel raised the question relating to operational hour on site and the concerns they have if activities on site coincide with activities at Millmore Junior football Club. Robert explained that he has made contact with staff the football club and will liaise with them over the coming months about operational hours. Robert did express there is no proposal to operate the site on Sunday and activities on a Saturday will be limited, however this will be based on operational needs at that specific time. It was explained to Nigel that issues of nuisance and hazards arising from traffic beyond the site fall solely to the local planning authority and not the Environment Agency and therefore as requested we cannot impose restrictions on the operational hours within the permit. Albeit operational hours have been specified within Section 6.1.3 of the EMS.

Discussed work undertaken on stripping back an area of topsoil towards the rear of Phase 1 to construct a bund. Robert explained that this was undertaken to prevent unauthorised access to the land, as the existing security fencing was vandalised. It was explained to Nigel that the Environment Agency are not enforcing the replacement of security fencing until such time as the site becomes operational.

Section 3- Enforcement Response

You must take immediate action to rectify any non-compliance and prevent repetition. Non-compliance with your permit conditions constitutes an offence* and can result in criminal prosecutions and/or suspension or revocation of a permit. Please read the detailed assessment in Section 2 and the steps you need to take in Section 4 below.

*Non-compliance with MSA, MSB & TCM do not constitute an offence but can result in the service of a compliance, suspension and/or revocation notice.			
Other than the provision of advice and guidance, at present we do not intend to take further enforcement action in respect of the non-compliance identified above. This does not preclude us from taking enforcement action if further relevant information comes to light or advice isn't followed.			
In respect of the above non-compliance you have been issued with a warning. At present we do not intend to take further enforcement action. This does not preclude us from taking additional enforcement action if further relevant information comes to light or offences continue.			
We will now consider what enforcement action is appropriate and notify you, referencing this form.			

Section 4- Action(s)							
Where non-compliance has been detected and an enforcement response has been selected above, this section summarises the							
steps you	steps you need to take to return to compliance and also provides timescales for this to be done.						
Criteria Ref.	CCS Category	Action Required / Advised	Due Date				
See Section 1 above							

Section 5 - Compliance notes for the Operator

To ensure you correct actual or potential non-compliance we may

- advise on corrective actions verbally or in writing
- require you to take specific actions in writing
- issue a notice
- require you to review your procedures or management system
- change some of the conditions of your permit
- decide to undertake a full review of your permit

Any breach of a permit condition is an offence* and we may take legal action against you.

• We will normally provide advice and guidance to assist you to come back into compliance either after an offence is committed or where we consider that an offence is likely to be committed. This is without prejudice to any other enforcement response that we consider may be required.

• Enforcement action can include the issue of a formal caution, prosecution, the service of a notice and or suspension or revocation of the permit.

• A civil sanction Enforcement Undertaking (EU) offer may also be available to you as an alternative enforcement response for this/these offence(s).

See our Enforcement and Civil Sanctions guidance for further information

*A breach of permit condition **MSA**, **MSB** & **TCM** is not an offence but may result in the service of a notice requiring compliance and/or suspension or revocation of the permit.

This report does not relieve the site operator of the responsibility to

- ensure you comply with the conditions of the permit at all times and prevent pollution of the environment
- ensure you comply with other legislative provisions which may apply.

Non-compliance scores and categories

CCS category	Description	Score			
C1	A non-compliance which could have a major environmental effect	60			
C2	A non-compliance which could have a significant environmental effect	31			
C3	A non-compliance which could have a minor environmental effect	4			
C4	A non-compliance which has no potential environmental effect	0.1			

Operational Risk Appraisal (Opra) - Compliance assessment findings may affect your Opra score and/or your charges. This score influences the resource we use to assess permit compliance.

MSA, MSB & TCM are conditions inserted into certain permits by Schedule 9 Part 3 EPR

MSA requires operators to manage and operate in a coordance with a written management system that identifies and minimises risks of pollution.

MSB requires that the management system must be reviewed, kept up-to-date and a written record kept of this.

TCM requires the submission of technical competence information.

Section 6 – General Information

Data protection notice

The information on this form will be processed by the Environment Agency to fulfill its regulatory and monitoring functions and to maintain the relevant public register(s). The Environment Agency may also use and/or disclose it in connection with:

• offering/providing you with its literature/services relating to environmental matters

• consulting with the public, public bodies and other organisations (e.g. Health and Safety Executive, local authorities) on environmental issues

• carrying out statistical analysis, research and development on environmental issues

• providing public register information to enquirers

• investigating possible breaches of environmental law and taking any resulting action

• preventing breaches of environmental law

• assessing customer service satisfaction and improving its service

• Freedom of Information Act/Environmental Information Regulations request.

The Environment Agency may pass it on to its agents/representatives to do these things on its behalf. You should ensure that any persons named on this form are informed of the contents of this data protection notice.

Disclosure of information

The Environment Agency will provide a copy of this report to the public register(s). However, if you consider that any information contained in this report should not be released to the public register(s) on the grounds of commercial confidentiality, you must write to your local area office within 28 days of receipt of this form indicating which information it concerns and why it should not be released, giving your reasons in full.

Customer charter

What can I do if I disagree with this compliance assessment report?

You must notify your local officer within 28 days of receipt if, you wish to challenge any part of this compliance assessment report. If you are unable to resolve the issue with your site officer, you should firstly discuss the matter with the officer's line managers. If you wish to raise your dispute further through our official <u>complaints</u> and Commendations procedure, phone our general enquiry number 03708 506 506 (Mon to Fri 08.00–18.00) and ask for the <u>customer contact</u> team or send an email to <u>enquiries@environment-agency.gov.uk</u>. If you are still dissatisfied, you can make a complaint to the Ombudsman. For advice on how to complain to the <u>Parliamentary and</u> <u>Health Service Ombudsman</u> phone their helpline on 0345 015 4033.