

Mr. John Homfray
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Llywhelig
Cowbridge
CF717FF

Our ref: SEA/EM1/AW150812

Your ref:

Date: 12th August 2015

Dear Mr. Homfray,

Cowbridge Compost – Site Improvement Plan, 12th August 2015

Please find attached a Compliance Assessment Report (CAR) Form which identifies non-compliance with your permit.

Natural Resources Wales is able take enforcement action where you have not complied with your permit but if we are satisfied that:

- you are taking acceptable and timely action to correct the non-compliance; or
- you are again complying with your permit;

Then we will not continue to record the non-compliance on our Compliance Classification Scheme (CCS) for charging purposes.

We would like to give you the opportunity to propose how this issue will be rectified and compliance re-established. The template below allows you to set out your actions and timetables for Natural Resources Wales to consider.

In the mean time we will continue to record non-compliance on our CCS database.

Completion dates should not exceed 6 months of the date of this letter. We will assess your proposed timescales to ensure they are achievable.

Permit Number: 100525		Operator name: Cowbridge Compost
Permit condition not complied with and CAR form ref.	Action you proposed to take outlining important milestones and dates.	Completion dates.
CAR Form Ref: 150514	1. For IVC feedstock, use a food to green waste ratio of 1:3/4	Immediately
Permit Conditions: 1.1.1 & 2.3.1(a)	2. Using the 'Compost Manager', record temperature, moisture and oxygen data in IVC	Immediately
	3. Using the 'Compost Manager', record temperature, moisture and oxygen data in OWC	Immediately

	4. Using the 'Compost Manager', record temperature and moisture in bio-filter	Immediately
	5. Maintain desired windrow shape and size (A-shaped with size suitable for effective monitoring of the core).	30/10/2015
	6. When receiving an odour complaint, record weather conditions and site activities for the 2 hours prior the complaint.	Immediately

Operator/Permit holders signature.....

Print your name here.....

The information you provide us with needs to be **very** clear and unambiguous. The actions you plan to undertake need to be specific enough for us to be able to judge whether they will bring your site back into compliance and that they have been completed.

The date(s) for completion of the works need to be clear. If the final deadline is some months ahead, you should identify some intermediate dates for important milestone actions.

We shall assess whether you have met these intermediate deadlines. If you do not meet them we will consider appropriate action and re-activate the non-compliance records for the conditions stated above. This may increase your annual subsistence fee paid.

You must ensure that there is no unacceptable environmental impact during the period of the non-compliance. The aim of Natural Resources Wales is to protect the environment and we will not agree to continued environmental pollution.

Following receipt of your proposals we will contact you to let you know whether, on the basis of your action plan, we will suspend further non-compliance records for that/those condition(s) for a specified period.

The benefits of this approach would be:

- you have the chance to remedy a non-compliant situation that we consider may be difficult to sort out immediately, without being further penalised;
- you are encouraged to deliver improvements and are not penalised financially for in progress non-compliance whilst you demonstrate that you are taking all reasonable measures to bring the activities back into compliance within an agreed timescale.
Note: We will still record non-compliance relating to this matter, but they will not count towards your overall compliance rating (and therefore next year's fees) if the work you are undertaking progresses in accordance with the defined timeframe and brings your site back into compliance and;
- there is assurance that the environment is being protected.

Yours Sincerely



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