Cyfoeth Naturiol Cymru Natural Resources Wales

Compliance Assessment Report

Report ID: CAR_NRW0027059

This form will report compliance with your permit as determined by an NRW officer					
Site	Whitchurch Salt Slags	Permit Ref	VP3030BX		
Operator/Permit holder	Befesa Salt Slags Limited				
Regime	Installations				
Date of assessment	31/12/2016	Time in	N/A	Out	N/A
Assessment type	Report/Data Review				
Parts of the permit assessed	Annual Returns/Q4 Monitoring				
Lead officer's name	Kelk, Matthew				
Accompanied by					
Recipient's name/position	Yvonne Sheridan/ HSQE Manager	Date issued	07/02/2017		

Section 1 – Compliance Assessment Summary

This is based on the requirements of the permit under the Environmental Permitting Regulations or the licence under the Water Resources Act 1991 as amended by the Water Act 2003. A detailed explanation is captured in "Compliance Assessment Report Detail" (Section 2) and any actions you may need to take are given in the "Action(s)" (section 4). 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 Compliance Classification Scheme (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 local office.

Permit conditions and compliance summary	CCS Category	Condition(s) breached
E1 - Infrastructure - Air	A	
E5 - Infrastructure - Waste	A	
F1 - Infrastructure - Odour	A	
G1 - Infrastructure - Monitoring of emissions and environment	A	
G4 - Infrastructure - Reporting and notification to Natural Resources Wales	A	
H1 - Infrastructure - Efficient use of raw materials	A	
H2 - Infrastructure - Energy efficiency	A	

KEY: See Section 5 for breach categories, suspended scores will be indicated as such.
A = Assessed or assessed in part (no evidence of non-compliance), **X** = Action only,
O = Ongoing non-compliance, not scored.

Number of breaches recorded	**0**	**Total compliance score** (see section 5 for scoring scheme)	0

If the Number of breaches recorded is greater than zero, please see Section 3 for 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 (eg. 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 advice given
- Any other areas of concern
- Any actions requested
- Any examples of good practice
- A reference to photos taken

Q4 2016 Emissions Monitoring Data

Review of monitoring data for Q4 (October - December 2016) from emission point:-

A1 - Particulates,

A2 - Ammonia,

A5 - Ammonia,

A6 - Ammonia,

All submitted monitoring data below permitted emission limit values.

Annual Emission Monitoring Data

Data submitted for flare stack (A4) - low emissions of hydrogen sulphide shown from this point indicating effective abatement of this pollutant.

Annual Returns

Annual data reviewed for waste disposal, water usage, energy usage and waste produced per tonne - no issues with submitted data.

Revised Odour Management Plan and Fugitive Emissions Review

Detailed reports submitted for odour management plan and fugitive emissions review comparing operating techniques used on site against Best Available Techniques (BAT).

Additional actions for review identified for 2017 in the reports are:-

Installation of loading tunnels adjacent to the interim oxide storage (planning approved) subject to Capex and NRW approval.

Bubbler System and bubbler water return pump.

Review of interim oxide storage extraction pipework, extraction points and LEV capacity in this area.

Review of chemical plant LEV system capacity,

Non odour- review of ANVI plant in line with latest BAT.

It should be noted that permit variation EPR/VP3030BX/V004 using the new model permit template has removed the requirement to carry out a fugitive emissions report, this will not be required in future.

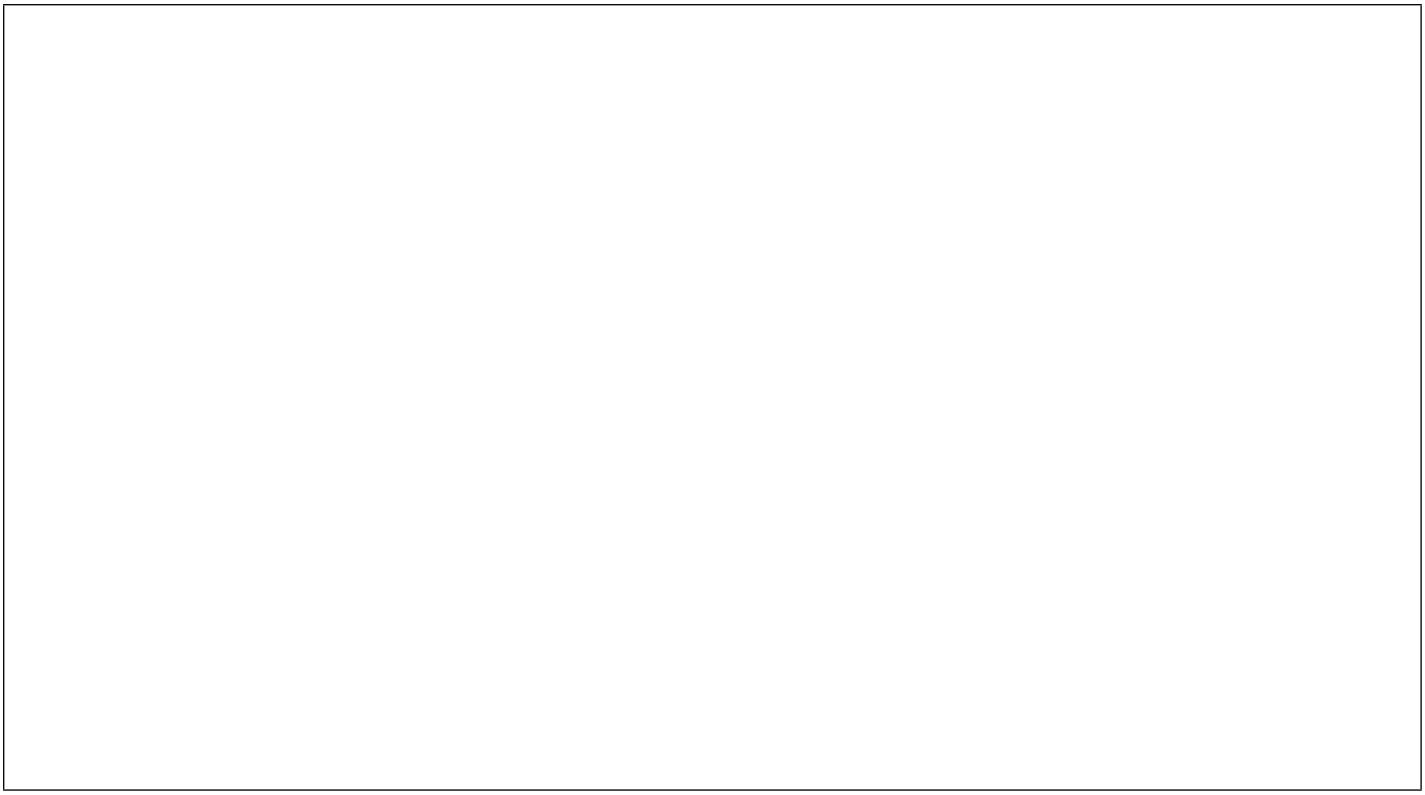
Improvement Conditions

Improvement condition IC17 and IC18 still outstanding.

IC18 It is accepted that further work is being carried out to fully CCTV survey the required drains on site.

IC17 Waste classification of aluminium oxide still outstanding.

NRW require that the above improvement conditions are completed by 31st March 2017, non submission of reports required by these conditions beyond this deadline will be scored.



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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.

Section 4 – Action(s)

This section summarises the actions identified during the assessment along with the timescales for when they will need to be completed.

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 verbally or 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.

See our Enforcement and Civil Sanctions guidance for further information

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 that 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.

Section 6 – General information

Data protection notice

The information on this form will be processed by the Natural Resources Wales (NRW) to fulfil its regulatory and monitoring functions and to maintain the relevant public register(s). The NRW 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 (eg. 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
- Assessing customer service satisfaction and improving its service
- Freedom of Information Act/Environmental Regulations request

The NRW 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.

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Customer charter

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

If you are unable to resolve the issue with your site officer, you should firstly discuss the matter with officer's line managers using the informal appeals procedure. If you wish to raise your dispute further through our official Complaints and Commendations procedure, phone our general enquiry number 0300 065 3000 (Mon to Fri 08.00 – 18.00) and ask for the Customer Contact team or send an email to enquiries@naturalresourceswales.gov.uk. If you are still dissatisfied you can make a complaint to the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales. For advice on how to complain to the Ombudsman phone their helpline on 0845 607 0987.

Welsh Language
If you would like this form in Welsh please contact your Regulatory Officer.