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The Company Secretary
E.ON UK plc
Westwood Way
Westwood Business Park
Coventry
CV4 8LG

Ein cyf / Our ref: MP3337SH/IC22
Eich cyf / Your ref:

Dyddiad/Date: 26th November 2014

Dear Sir / Madam,

Environmental Permitting (England & Wales) Regulations 2010 (as amended)

Permit reference: MP3337SH (E.ON Connah's Quay Power Station, Flintshire, CH5 4BP - Improvement Condition 22

I acknowledge receipt of your response, dated 30/01/14, with regard to Improvement Condition IC22.

Natural Resources Wales has completed its assessment and we are satisfied that your response fulfils our requirements for exemption in accordance with the requirements for the safe passage of eels with regard to the Eels (England and Wales) Regulations 2009 (SI 2009/3344) and the Environment Agency Safe Passage for Eel Regulatory Position Statement July 2012 as amended.

We have attached the Exemption Notice to this letter.

I can therefore confirm that following the issue of this exemption notice the requirement of Improvement Condition IC22 has now been fulfilled and is deemed complete.

Yours sincerely,

Stuart Ross
Regulatory Officer (PPC/RSR) / Swyddog Rheoliadol 1 (RhDP/RhSY)
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**The Eels (England and Wales) Regulations 2009
Regulation 17(5)(a)**

EEL SCREEN EXEMPTION NOTICE

To: E.ON UK plc, Westwood Way, Westwood Business Park, Coventry, CV4 8LG

Under Regulation 17(4) of the Eels (England and Wales) Regulations 2009, on or after 1 January 2015, a responsible person must ensure an eel screen is placed in a diversion structure that:

- (a) is capable of abstracting at least 20 cubic metres of water through any one point in any 24 hour period; or
- (b) returns water to a channel, bed or sea.

This notice exempts you, as the responsible person, from the requirement to place an eel screen at the cooling water intake (NGR SJ2842571172) at Connah's Quay Power Station, Kelsterton Road, Connah's Quay, Flintshire, CH5 4BP subject to the conditions set out in Schedule 1 to this notice. The reason for this exemption is:

The site is not compliant with best practice but there is evidence that current alternative eel protection measures are adequate to prevent damage, injury, harmful entrainment or the impediment of free passage to eel.

This exemption takes effect on 01/01/15 and expires on 31/12/23.

Date 24 November 2014

Signed 

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The Eels (England and Wales) Regulations 2009
Regulation 17(5)(a)

SCHEDULE 1: CONDITIONS

1. Cooling water abstraction shall be in accordance with the requirements of Environmental Permit MP3337SH (response to Improvement Condition 22) and Abstraction Licence Ref 24/67/10/0124 (variation 2).
2. The intake structure shall be constructed so as to ensure that intake velocity does not exceed 0.15m/sec. The instantaneous abstraction rate shall not exceed 3.04 cubic metres per second.
3. The abstraction shall be screened using passive intake screens with a maximum slot width of 3mm. Removal of bio fouling from the screen structure shall be avoided unless strictly necessary to maintain a suitable abstraction rate or screen integrity.
4. Abstraction shall only take place during a period between one hour prior to and two hours after each high tide.