

Compliance Assessment Report CAR_NRW0040481

Permit being assessed: AB3695CH.

For: Nine Mile Point Waste Transfer Facility, held by Drumcastle Limited

At: Unit 9, Nine Mile Point Industrial Estate, Cwmfelinfach, Ynysddu, Newport, Caerphilly, NP11 7HZ.

Type of assessment carried out: Report/Data Review, Reason: Routine.

On 02/10/2022 - 14/10/2022.

Parts of permit assessed: Table S1.4 Pre-operational measures

NRW Lead Officer: Wayne Grimstead.

Report sent to: Mr John Byrne, Company Director on 14/10/2022.

1. Summary of our findings (full details in section 4)

Part of permitted activity assessed (criteria)	Assessment result	Permit condition
A1 - Specified by permit	Assessed (A)	
G4 - Monitoring and Records, Maintenance and Reporting - Reporting and notification to Natural Resources Wales	Assessed (A)	

Result types are explained in more detail in the 'Important Information' section below.

Total number of non-compliances recorded	Total non-compliance score
0	0

How we use the non-compliance score to calculate your annual fee is explained in the 'Important Information' section below.

2. What action is required?

No action required.

3. What will happen next?

Any non-compliance we have identified and recorded on this form is an offence. It can result in criminal prosecution and/or suspension or revocation of your permit.

At this time, we do not intend to take any further action.

This statement does not stop us from taking additional enforcement action if further relevant information comes to light or offences continue.

4. Details of our assessment

This Compliance Assessment Report (CAR) form is provided in response to the details submitted in discharge of pre-operational (PO) measures 1 to 14 listed in Table S1.4 of permit reference

EPR/AB3695CH.

PO1 – Details agreed.

1. WAMITAB competence certificate scheme received on 7th March, 2022.

PO2 – Details agreed.

1. Maintenance and survey schedule received on 7th March, 2022
2. Amended site drainage plan received 23rd September, 2022.
3. NRW notes that under the permit variation V004, there will be no waste water from the process building. NRW understands that the foul water flow is intended to discharge into the public sewerage system and will be for domestic purposes only. As a result, Table S3.3, Point source emissions to sewer, will not be enforced at this present time. NRW reserve the right to change this decision should the operator's circumstances or activities change.

PO3 – Details agreed.

1. Accident management plan received on 2nd September, 2022.

PO4 – Details agreed.

1. Fire suppression details received 22nd February, 2022 (read in conjunction with details submitted and agreed in discharge of PO13 – see below).

PO5 – Details agreed.

1. Site condition report received on 22nd February, 2022. NRW notes that a period of 7 years has lapsed since this site investigation report was prepared and is deemed acceptable on the basis that the land has remained unoccupied and undeveloped since this time. The operator is reminded of the need to ensure compliance with the 5 year groundwater and 10 year soil monitoring conditions required in Permit Condition 3.1.3 of the permit.

PO6 – Details agreed.

1. Site condition report received on 22nd February, 2022. NRW notes that a period of 7 years has lapsed since this site investigation report was prepared and is deemed acceptable on the basis that the land has remained undeveloped since the report was produced up until the recent construction of this waste transfer facility.

PO7 & PO8 - Details agreed.

1. Updated NMP Environmental management system received on 3rd October, 2022. NRW observes that BAT 1 (xi) is not applicable as the site will not be generating waste water or gases.

Please note NRW will audit your EMS and associated procedures during compliance inspections.

PO9 – Details agreed.

1. Validation report received on 2nd September, 2022.

PO10 – Details agreed.

1. Energy efficiency plan received 15th December, 2021.

PO11 – Details agreed.

1. The written justification set out in paragraph 2.5 of the pre operational conditions document received on 15th December, 2021 is accepted in discharge of PO11 on the basis that no process water is generated as a result of this activity. Thus, BAT 3 is not applicable.

PO12 – Details agreed.

1. The written justification set out in paragraph 2.6 of the pre operational conditions document received on 15th December, 2021 is accepted in discharge of PO12 on the basis that no waste gas streams will be generated as a result of this activity. As set out in the process flow chart received on 4th April, 2022, there will be no source of combustion used to treat the waste.

PO13 – Details agreed.

1. The details submitted in the FPMP version 6 received on 13th October, 2022, are considered adequate in accordance with the requirements of pre-operational measure 13.

Action: As set out in paragraph 6.57 of the agreed FPMP, the operator shall review the FPMP during site commissioning and any amendments shall be submitted to NRW for written agreement within 7 days of normal operations commencing.

PO14 – Details agreed.

1. Site layout details as shown on drawing number 20001-402 Revision E received on 14th October, 2022.

End.

If you have any queries about this report, or to discuss completion of any actions, please contact the NRW Officer named above.

Important information

Legal status of this report

Your permit is issued to you under the Environmental Permitting Regulations. You have a responsibility to comply with the conditions of your permit and prevent pollution/harm of the environment. You must also ensure that you comply with any other relevant legislation that may apply to your site's operations.

This report explains the findings of our assessment and any action you are required to take. We categorise non-compliance using our guidance for assessing non-compliance at regulated sites.

When we find potential non-compliance/s we will normally give you advice on how to maintain compliance.

To correct non-compliance, we may:

- require you to take specific actions
- issue a notice
- review the conditions of your permit.

Any advice and guidance we give will be without prejudice to any other enforcement response that we consider may be required.

Assessment results and non-compliance categories (used in section 1):

Assessment result	Description
Assessed (A)	Assessed or assessed in part, no evidence of non-compliance found
Action only (X)	Action only relating to the activity assessment
Ongoing (O)	Ongoing non-compliance, not scored

Non-compliance category	Description	Score
C1 Major	Potential to have a major, serious, persistent and/or extensive impact or effect on the environment, people and/or property	60
C2 Significant	Potential to have a significant impact or effect on the environment, people and/or property	31
C3 Minor	Potential to have a minor or minimal impact or effect on the environment, people and/or property	4
C4 No environmental impact	Non-compliance at a regulated site that cannot foreseeably have any impact on the environment, people and/or property	0.1

How we use assessment scores

The number and severity of non-compliances recorded in a year will affect your annual subsistence fee the following year. A non-compliance factor is added to your site's Operator

Performance Risk Appraisal (OPRA) score when we calculate your fee to reflect the additional resource we use to assess permit compliance.

What are suspended scores?

In line with our guidance, we may suspend scores for up to six months to allow time for remedial action to be taken. Suspended scores will be re-instated if the action is not completed.

Full list of Industry and Waste action criteria (used in section 1 and 2):**A: Permitted activities**

- A1 Specified by permit

B: Infrastructure

- B1 Infrastructure – Engineering for prevention and control of emissions
- B2 Infrastructure – Closure and decommissioning
- B3 Infrastructure – Site drainage engineering (clean and foul)
- B4 Infrastructure – Containment of stored materials
- B5 Infrastructure – Plant and equipment

C: General management

- C1 General management – Staff competency/training
- C2 General management – Management system and operating procedures
- C3 General management – Materials acceptance
- C4 General management – Storage, handling, labelling and segregation

D: Incident management

- D1 Incident management – Site security
- D2 Incident management – Accidents, emergency and incident planning

E: Emissions

- E1 Emissions – Air
- E2 Emissions – Land and groundwater
- E3 Emissions – Surface water
- E4 Emissions – Sewer
- E5 Emissions – Waste

F: Amenity

- F1 Amenity – Odour
- F2 Amenity – Noise
- F3 Amenity – Dust/fibres/particulates and litter
- F4 Amenity – Pests/birds and scavengers
- F5 Amenity – Deposits on road

G: Monitoring and records, maintenance and reporting

- G1 Monitoring and records, maintenance and reporting – Monitoring of emissions and environment
- G2 Monitoring and records, maintenance and reporting – Records of activity, site diary/journal/events
- G3 Monitoring and records, maintenance and reporting – Maintenance records
- G4 Monitoring and records, maintenance and reporting – Reporting and notification to Natural Resources Wales

H: Resources efficiency

- H1 Resource efficiency – Efficient use of raw materials
- H2 Resource efficiency – Energy efficiency

Enforcement response

Any permit condition non-compliance is an offence and we may take legal action against you. Action we take can include prosecution, serving a notice on you and/or suspension or revocation of your permit. See our Enforcement and Sanctions Guidance for further information.

Data protection notice

You should make sure that anyone named in this report knows that the information it contains will be processed by Natural Resources Wales to fulfil its regulatory and monitoring functions and to maintain the relevant public register(s).

We may also use and/or disclose the report in connection with:

- offering or providing you with our literature or 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
- assessing customer service satisfaction and improving our service
- Freedom of Information Act or Environmental Information Regulations requests.

We may also pass it on to our agents or representatives to do these things on our behalf.

Disclosure of information – this report will be available to view on-line

If you think this report contains commercially confidential information that should not be placed on our public register, you must contact your local Natural Resources Wales office within **fifteen working days** of receiving this report, using the contact details in the accompanying email or letter. You must give a full explanation of why it should not be added to our public register, including specifying which information is commercially confidential. We will assess your request and respond to you within 20 working days to let you know if we agree to your request.

What do I do if I disagree with the report or have a complaint?

If you disagree with this compliance assessment report, you should contact the lead officer without delay to discuss your concerns.

If you are unable to resolve the issue with the lead officer or their line manager you should contact our Customer Contact team on 0300 065 3000 (Monday to Friday 08:00 – 18:00), or email enquiries@naturalresourceswales.gov.uk for details of how to raise your dispute further through our Complaints and Commendations procedure.

If you are dissatisfied with our response, you can contact the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales by phone on 0300 7900203 or by email at ask@ombudsman.wales

Welsh Language Standards

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