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**Our Ref: PAN-020892
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Date: 27 April 2023

Via e-mail to: adrian@expirea.co.uk

Dear Mr. Kesterson,

We need more information about your application

Application Reference: PAN-020892

Operator: Maelor Foods Limited

Facility: Maelor Poultry Processing Plant, Pickhill Lane, Cross Lanes, Wrexham, LL13 0UE

Thank you for your application, submitted to us on 20/02/2023. Unfortunately, we need to ask you for some more details before we can consider duly making your application. The additional information required is summarised below.

Accident Management Plan

Provide a copy of your Accident Management Plan / Emergency Response Plan(s). The plan(s) should include changes to managing accidents and emergency scenarios as a result of the changes proposed to site operations. Where you believe existing documentation remains fit-for-purpose please provide justification to support this and submit the relevant existing documents.

Noise Impact Assessment & Background Noise Survey

Provide more information to support the Noise Impact Assessment submitted in order to demonstrate that it fully meets the requirements of BS4142 and the Environment Agency's guidance [Noise and vibration management: environmental permits - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/noise-and-vibration-management-environmental-permits). Additional information should include (but not limited to) the following:

- The baseline noise survey (doc referenced Appendix 17 - Noise complaint assessment report 2020) submitted states that it was prepared to complete an outline noise investigation following receipt of noise complaints. We require further justification as to why specific sound levels surveyed in September 2022 have been assessed against older background data from a previous noise assessment survey

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undertaken 3 years ago (July 2020), instead of using more recent background noise data for the same time period. We require further justification as to why you believe data obtained whilst Covid-19 pandemic restrictions were in force is deemed to be representative of current background noise data (please refer to the above hyperlink which includes details on off-site monitoring survey requirements);

- Provide weather conditions at monitoring locations for the time and dates that all data measurements were taken;
- Provide calibration dates and certificates for equipment used for all noise measurements. Results of the field calibration should also be provided;
- Provide background data measurement's distance from the proposed specific sound sources, the topography of the intervening ground. A justification for the choice of measurement locations should also be included;
- Submit the model input files used within the SoundPLAN® Model, as referenced within your Noise Impact Assessment (doc reference: Appendix 18 - Noise Impact Assessment Feb 23).

Supporting Documentation - Appendices

Chapter 14 within your main supporting document (doc reference: Application Document - Var 3 - New - Final Feb 2023) provides a list of supporting Appendices included within your application. The Appendix numbering for the documents submitted with the application however does not match the list contained within Chapter 14. Please clarify the correct list of Appendices associated within this application and confirm all relevant documentation has been submitted.

Please reply within 10 working days from the date of this letter. If we don't hear from you, we must return your application and fee.

If you email or write to us, please quote the application reference **PAN-020892** on any correspondence and send it to the relevant address below. When we receive the missing items, we'll continue to check the details in your application. If there's enough there for us to begin the process of deciding whether or not we can grant your application we say the application is 'duly made' and we'll let you know this by letter.

Please quote our reference if you contact us. If you have any questions, please email me at Lucinda.hall@naturalresourceswales.gov.uk or alternatively email the installations permitting team at installationspermitting@cyfoethnaturiolcymru.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely



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