

Compliance Assessment Report CAR_NRW0041746

Permit being assessed: BR8212IK.

For: Pont-y-Felin EPR/BR8212IK, held by Knauf Insulation Ltd

At: Pont-y-Felin , Cwmbran, Torfaen, NP44 2YQ.

Type of assessment carried out: Audit, Reason: Routine.

On 28/04/2023.

Parts of permit assessed: None

NRW Lead Officer: Luke Burton.

Report sent to: Warren Christy, HSE & Systems Manager Cwmbran on 28/04/2023.

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

Part of permitted activity assessed (criteria)	Assessment result	Permit condition
A1 - Specified by permit	Action only (X)	
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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?

Criteria	Action needed	Complete by
A1	Operator to develop and implement a formal monitoring induction process for all hot-end operators and all Health, Safety and Environment (HS&E) Deputies to undertake an industry recognised monitoring qualification.	31/05/2023
A1	Operator to obtain from the Continuous Emissions Monitoring (CEMS) contractor: Fully documented, complete training records that show the CEMS contractor is trained and competent.	30/06/2023
A1	Operator to develop and provide management procedures and work instructions which include further detail on how a CEMS breakdown is dealt with, as set out in response to the Compliance Assessment Report CAR_NRW0040036.	30/06/2023

Action criteria codes are listed in the 'Important information' section below.

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 CAR has been produced following the submission of the *22-11 OMA Audit Action Plan* by Knauf Insulation Limited on 9 January 2023, following the Operator Monitoring Assessment (OMA) audit conducted at Knauf Insulation Limited on and leading up to the 16 November 2022.

The *22-11 OMA Audit Action Plan* suggests actions and deadlines for Knauf Insulation Limited to complete to address the monitoring shortfalls identified in the audit.

This CAR agrees those actions and requires them to be completed by the specified deadlines. Those actions and deadlines are as follows:

For ease of reference, the monitoring shortfalls the actions aim to address have been listed as per the sections of the audit report - *LIT 7857 - OMA report form- emissions to air (FINAL NRW)*. This CAR should therefore be read in conjunction with said report.

OMA 1. Management of monitoring, E. Understanding the requirements of the permit and monitoring methods.

Action: Operator to develop and implement a formal monitoring induction process for all hot-end operators and all Health, Safety and Environment (HS&E) Deputies to undertake an industry recognised monitoring qualification. Operator to provide management procedures and work instructions for the monitoring induction process, training records for all hot-end-operators demonstrating completion of training and certificates for all qualified HS&E deputies by 31 May 2023.

OMA 3. Continuous monitoring, G. Breakdown Response.

Action: Operator to obtain from the Continuous Emissions Monitoring (CEMS) contractor: Fully documented, complete training records that show the CEMS contractor is trained and competent by 30 June 2023.

Action: Operator to develop and provide management procedures and work instructions which include further detail on how a CEMS breakdown is dealt with, as set out in response to the Compliance Assessment Report CAR_NRW0040036 by 30 June 2023.

NB Knauf Insulation Limited are in the process of obtaining monies from the group to purchase a new upgraded CEMS unit that will replace the current unit. This will be purchased through the sites CEMS maintenance contractor with them having expertise and spares for this equipment. Once the new equipment has been purchased and installed a new maintenance call out contract will be purchased where such downtime as occurred in

May 2022 will be greatly reduced.

NO ACTION REQUIRED: No action has been attributed to this purchase, as the scope of the OMA Audit did not identify any deficiencies with the current unit. NRW however welcomes the investment in new, even more reliable technology and services.

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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